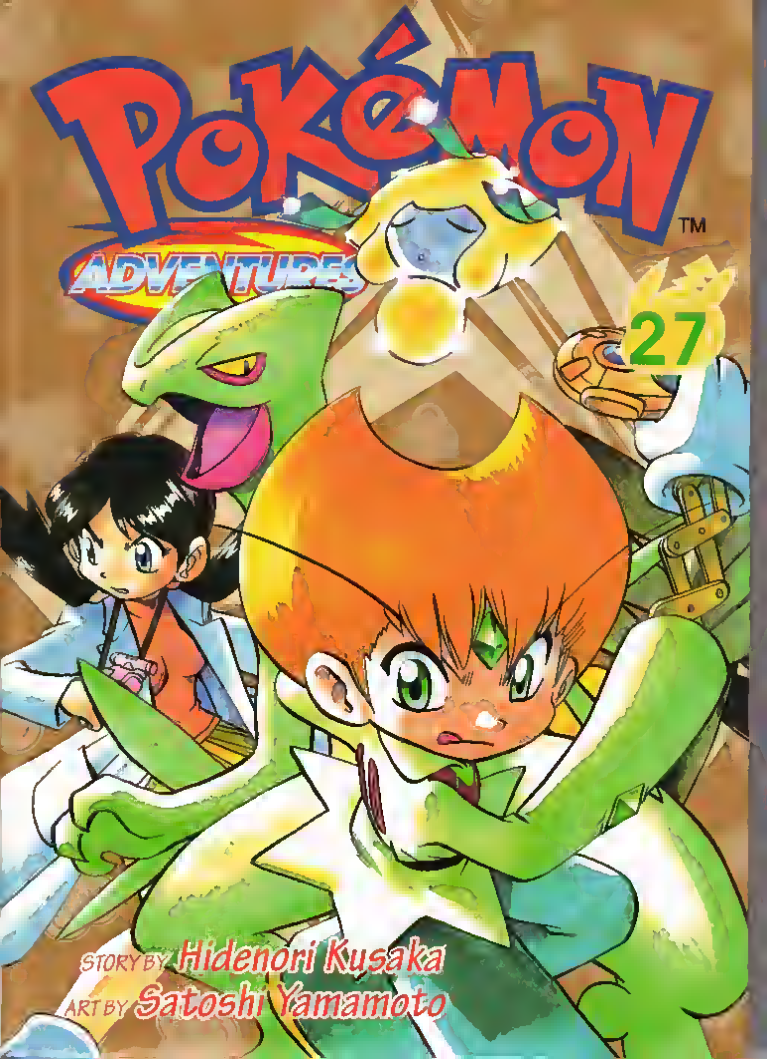
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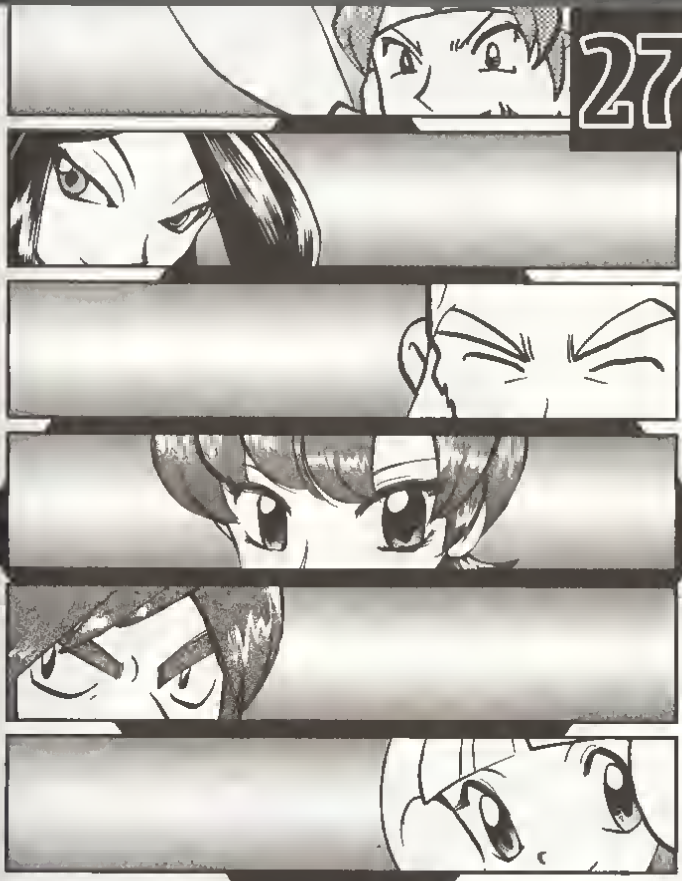

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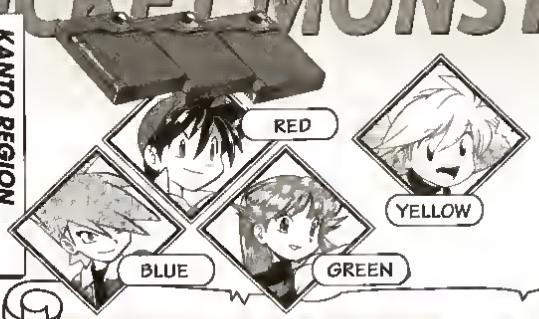

JOHTO REGION

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THE FIRST CHAPTER

Red, a young Pokémon trainer from Pallet Town, sets off on a quest to become the strongest trainer, after receiving the Pokédex from Professor Oak. Along the way, he battles Blue - who has the same objective in mind - meets up with Green, and finally defeats Team Rocket before winning the Pokémon League.

THE SECOND CHAPTER

Two years have passed. Red has suddenly disappeared, and a mysterious trainer, called Yellow, appears. While searching for Red, Yellow runs into Kanto's Elite Four, led by Lance. The four Pokémon masters have a horrifying plan in mind, and Yellow has to stop them...

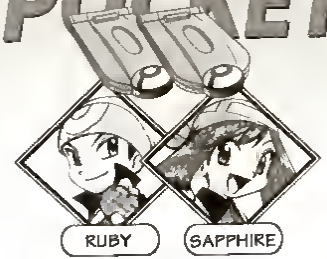
After a climatic battle on Cerise Island, Yellow manages to defeat Lance, and shatter the ambition of the Elite Four.

THE THIRD CHAPTER

Yet another year has passed, and the story shifts to the Johto Region. In pursuit of Silver who stole Totodile from Elm Research Center, Gold heads to New Bark Town. Due to a twist of fate, they have to battle side by side, even though they can't stand each other. Crystal joins in the fray, after being entrusted with the mission to complete the Pokédex. The trio battle a mysterious masked man, who has revived Team Rocket, eventually ruining his scheme.

THE FOURTH CHAPTER

Ruby, a boy passionate about Pokémon Contests, runs away from home right after moving to Littleroot Town. He encounters Sapphire in the wild, and makes a bet with her..



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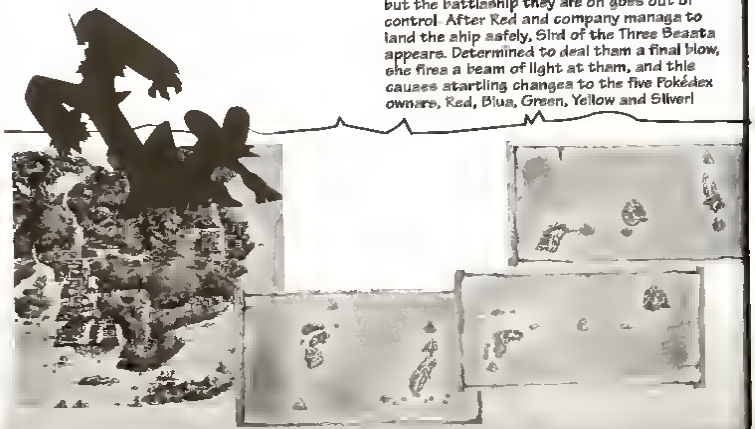
Ruby is to win all the Pokémon Contests within 80 days, and Sapphire must win all Gym battles in the same time frame. Meanwhile, Team Aqua and Team Magma set their destructive plans into motion. As a result, the ancient Pokémon Groudon and Kyogre wreak havoc and devastation on the Hoenn Region. The two Pokémon finally return to their eternal slumber, after Ruby and Sapphire make a valiant attempt to stop them.

THE FIFTH CHAPTER

Another half a year has come and gone. Red and his friends set off on a new adventure on the Sevii Islands. When Deoxys, the space Pokémon falls into the hands of Giovanni, Red teams up with Mewtwo in order to stop them. They emerge triumphant after a fierce struggle but the battleship they are on goes out of control. After Red and company manage to land the ship safely, Sird of the Three Beasts appears. Determined to deal them a final blow, she fires a beam of light at them, and this causes startling changes to the five Pokédex owners, Red, Blue, Green, Yellow and Silver!



THE SIXTH CHAPTER

A few months later, the "Battle Frontier", dubbed the highest peak of all Pokémon battles, is completed in Hoenn. Emerald gatecrashes the Press Conference during the opening ceremony and announces to the media that he will conquer the Battle Frontier. The Frontier Brains decide to take up his challenge, and Emerald must defeat all seven of them within seven days. So far, he has battled Factory Head Noland and is now battling against Pike Queen Lucy. On the other hand, it seems like Emerald has a more crucial mission on hand amidst the frenzied fighting...

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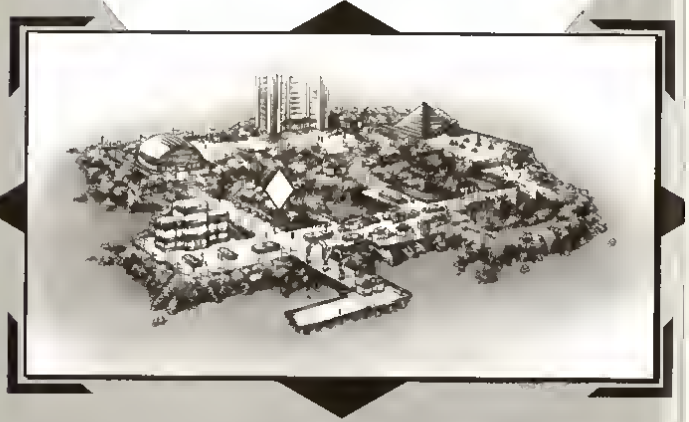

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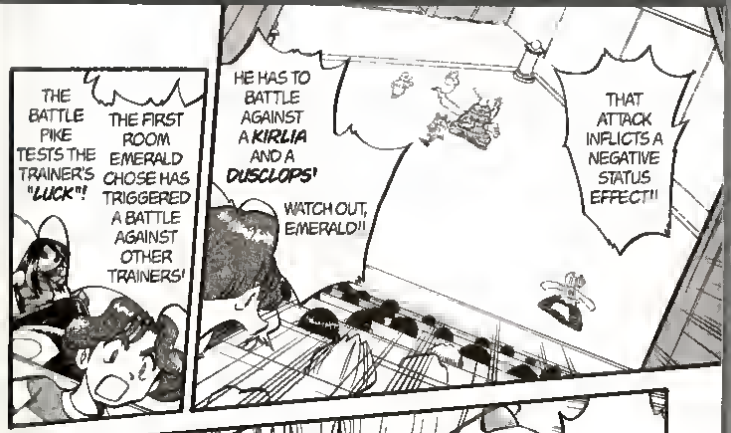
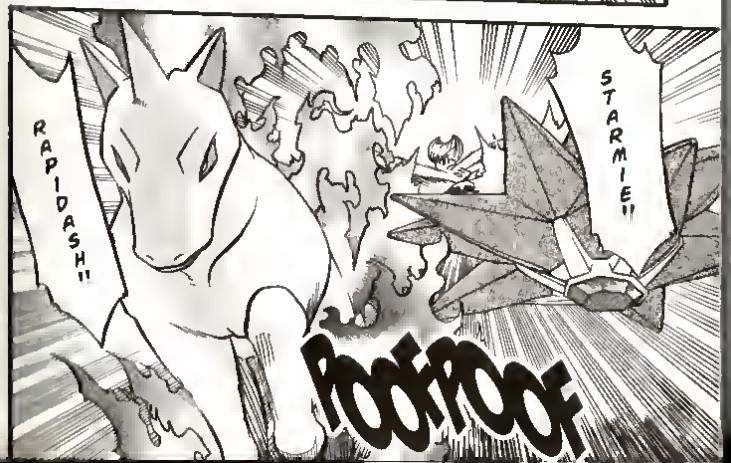
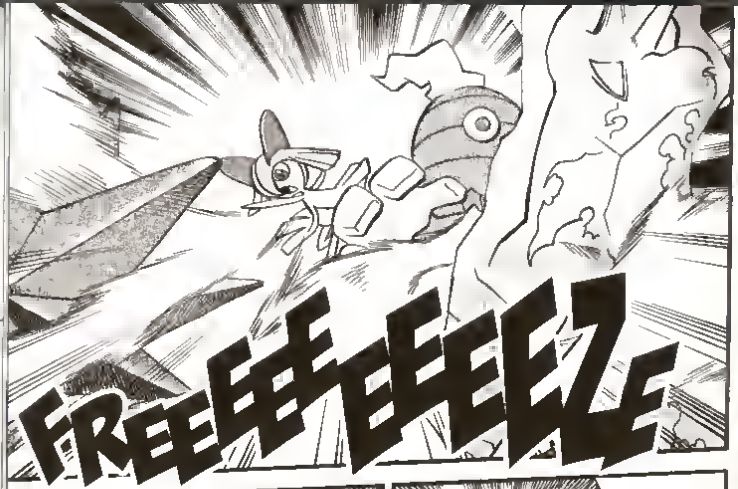

THE BATTLE PIKE TESTS THE TRAINER'S "LUCK"!
THE FIRST ROOM EMERALD CHOSE HAS TRIGGERED A BATTLE AGAINST OTHER TRAINERS!
HE HAS TO BATTLE AGAINST A KIRLIA AND A DUSCLOPS!
WATCH OUT, EMERALD!!
THAT ATTACK INFLICTS A NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECT!!

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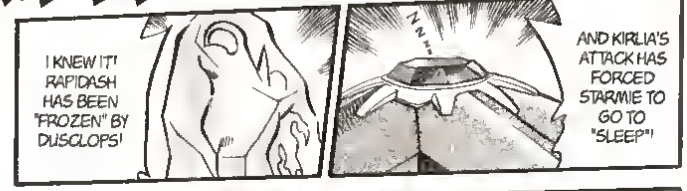
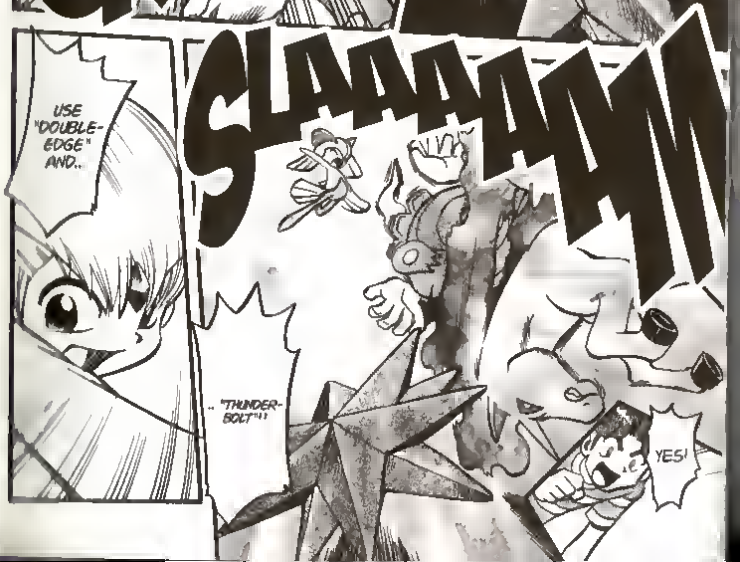
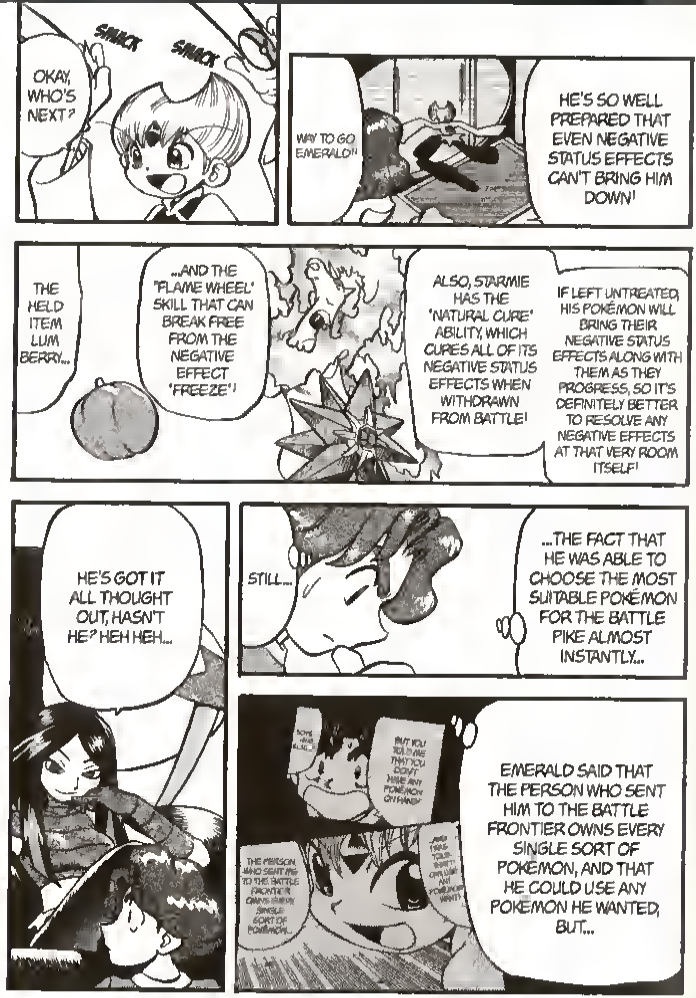

I KNEW IT! RAPIDASH HAS BEEN "FROZEN" BY DUSCLOPS!
AND KIRLIA'S ATTACK HAS FORCED STARMIE TO GO TO "SLEEP"!

THE BATTLE'S JUST STARTED, AND THE TWO OF THEM ARE ALREADY UNABLE TO FIGHT!
I KNOW THE BATTLE PIKE IS A TEST OF THE TRAINER'S "LUCK", BUT TO BE DEFEATED AT THE VERY FIRST ROOM... HOW UNLUCKY CAN YOU GET?!

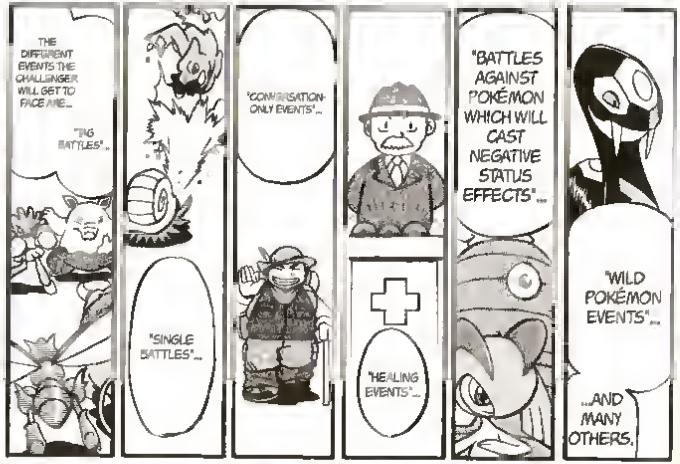
S'ALL RIGHT!
PARALYSIS, POISON, SLEEP, FREEZE, OR BURN... BRING 'EM ALL ON!

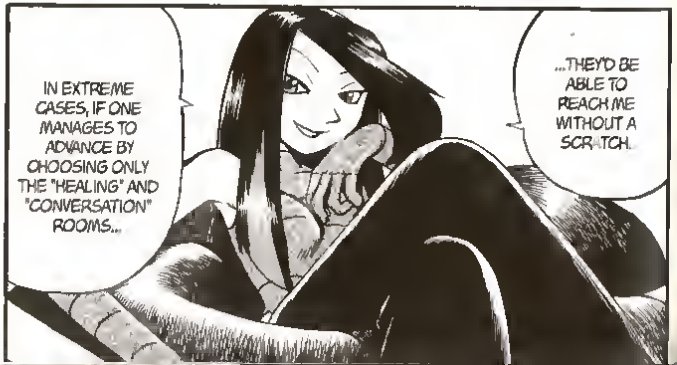
CRACK
"FLAME WHEEL"!!
!!!
IT BROKE FREE FROM THE "FREEZE" EFFECT USING ITS OWN SKILL!!
AND STARMIE'S WOKEN UP FROM ITS "SLEEP" BY USING ITS HELD ITEM, THE LUM BERRY!
BOLT

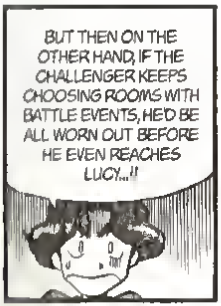

USE "DOUBLE-EDGE" AND..
SLAAAAAM
.. "THUNDER-BOLT"!!
YES!

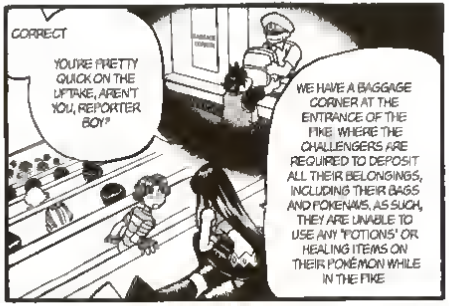

OKAY, WHO'S NEXT?
SMACK
SMACK
WAY TO GO, EMERALD!!
HE'S SO WELL PREPARED THAT EVEN NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECTS CAN'T BRING HIM DOWN!
THE HELD ITEM LUM BERRY...
...AND THE 'FLAME WHEEL' SKILL THAT CAN BREAK FREE FROM THE NEGATIVE EFFECT 'FREEZE'!
ALSO, STARMIE HAS THE 'NATURAL CURE' ABILITY, WHICH CURES ALL OF ITS NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECTS WHEN WITHDRAWN FROM BATTLE!
IF LEFT UNTREATED, HIS POKÉMON WILL BRING THEIR NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECTS ALONG WITH THEM AS THEY PROGRESS, SO IT'S DEFINITELY BETTER TO RESOLVE ANY NEGATIVE EFFECTS AT THAT VERY ROOM ITSELF!
HE'S GOT IT ALL THOUGHT OUT, HASN'T HE? HEH HEH...
STILL...
...THE FACT THAT HE WAS ABLE TO CHOOSE THE MOST SUITABLE POKÉMON FOR THE BATTLE PIKE ALMOST INSTANTLY...
NOW, WHO ELSE...
BUT YOU TOLD ME THAT YOU DON'T HAVE ANY POKÉMON ON HAND!
AND THIS TOUR SHIP'S GYM LEADER OWNS EVERY SINGLE SORT OF POKÉMON, AND I CAN USE ANY POKÉMON I WANT!
THE PERSON WHO SENT ME TO THE BATTLE FRONTIER OWNS EVERY SINGLE SORT OF POKÉMON...
EMERALD SAID THAT THE PERSON WHO SENT HIM TO THE BATTLE FRONTIER OWNS EVERY SINGLE SORT OF POKÉMON, AND THAT HE COULD USE ANY POKÉMON HE WANTED, BUT...
WHO EXACTLY WAS HE TALKING ABOUT...?!
AFTER YOU CLEAR A ROOM, YOU WILL ENTER A HALL WHERE YOU CAN CHOOSE THE NEXT ROOM TO GO TO.
THREE DOORS...
EENY, MEENY, MINEY, MO!
THIS ONE!
AH-HAH!
ANOTHER VIRTUAL TRAINER?!
MAN, TODAY'S SUCH A HOT DAY! SHEESH, I'M GROWING FAT FROM DRINKING TOO MUCH WATER!
SEE YA!
WALK
...

THAT GUY PASSED STRAIGHT THROUGH WITHOUT DOING ANYTHING...?! HE DIDN'T EVEN SAY ANYTHING RELATED TO POKÉMON BATTLES! YOU MEAN THERE'RE ROOMS LIKE THAT TOO?!
THAT'S RIGHT
THAT'S WHY THIS IS A TEST OF "LUCK".

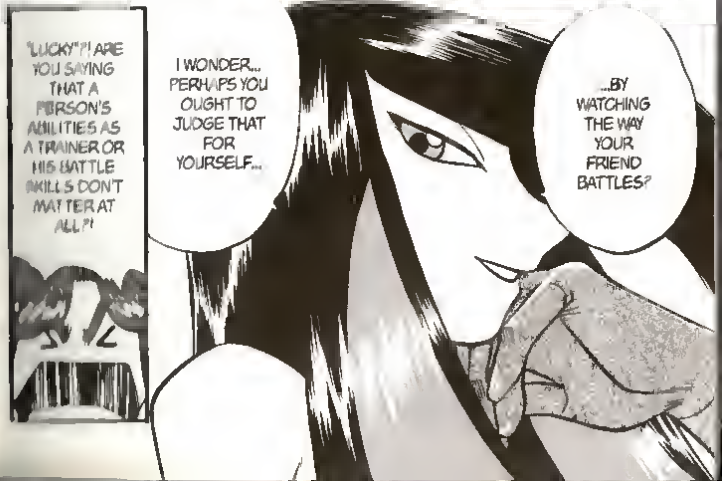

THE DIFFERENT EVENTS THE CHALLENGER WILL GET TO FACE ARE...
"TAG BATTLES"...
"SINGLE BATTLES"...
"CONVERSATION-ONLY EVENTS"...
"HEALING EVENTS"...
"BATTLES AGAINST POKÉMON WHICH WILL CAST NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECTS"...
"WILD POKÉMON EVENTS"...
...AND MANY OTHERS.

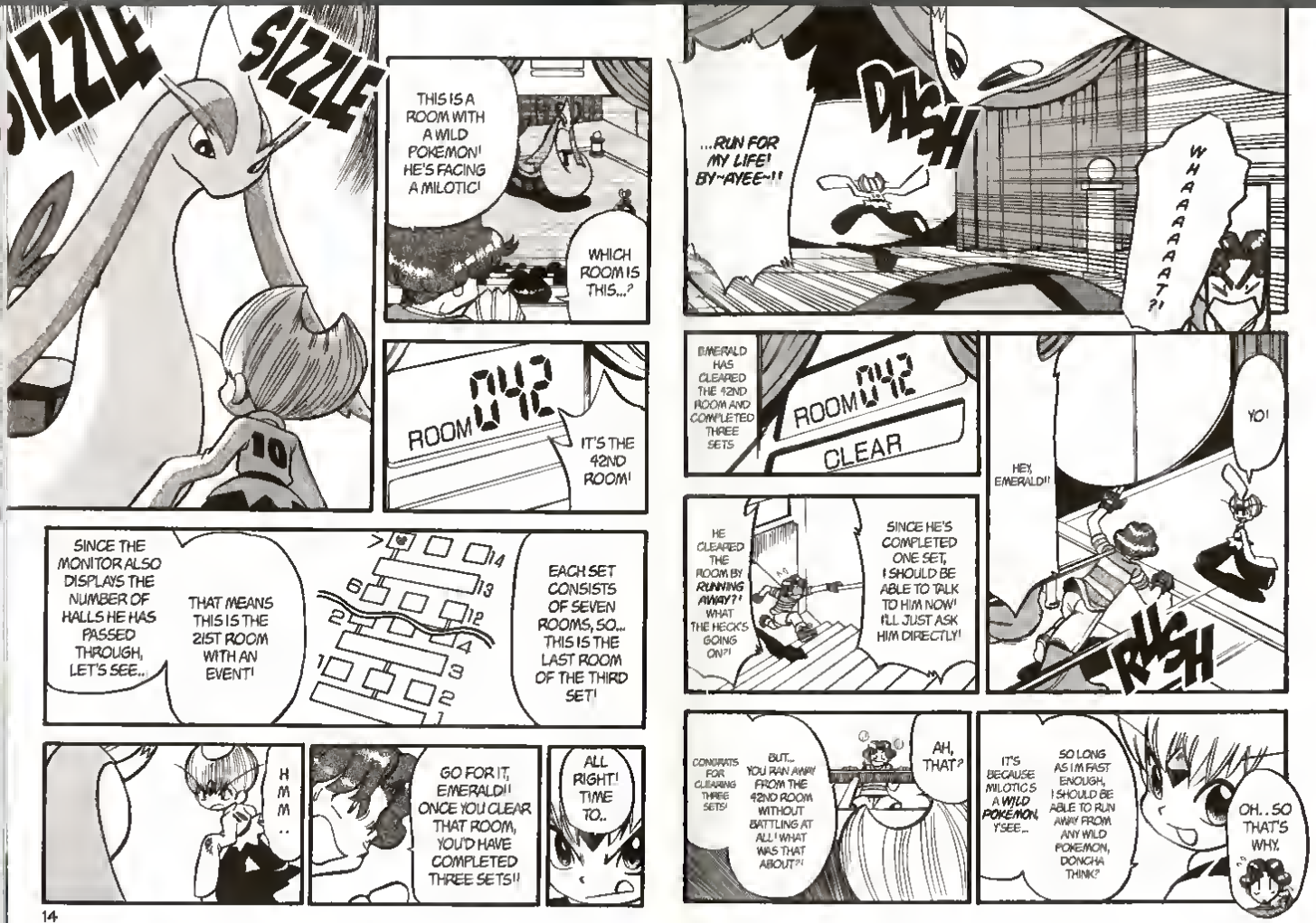

IN EXTREME CASES, IF ONE MANAGES TO ADVANCE BY CHOOSING ONLY THE "HEALING" AND "CONVERSATION" ROOMS...
...THEY'D BE ABLE TO REACH ME WITHOUT A SCRATCH.

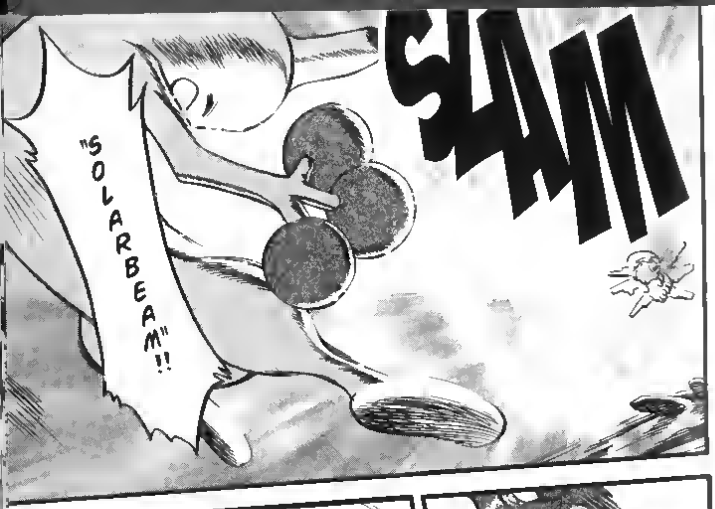

BUT THEN ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE CHALLENGER KEEPS CHOOSING ROOMS WITH BATTLE EVENTS, HE'D BE ALL WORN OUT BEFORE HE EVEN REACHES LUCY...!!


CORRECT
YOU'RE PRETTY QUICK ON THE UPTAKE, AREN'T YOU, REPORTER BOY?
WE HAVE A BAGGAGE CORNER AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE FIKE WHERE THE CHALLENGERS ARE REQUIRED TO DEPOSIT ALL THEIR BELONGINGS, INCLUDING THEIR BAGS AND POKENAVS. AS SUCH, THEY ARE UNABLE TO USE ANY "POTIONS" OR HEALING ITEMS ON THEIR POKÉMON WHILE IN THE FIKE

HOW IS IT POSSIBLE FOR ANYBODY TO CLEAR 140 ROOMS TO REACH YOU WITH ALL THOSE STRICT RULES IN PLACE?!
OF COURSE IT'S POSSIBLE!
IF YOU ARE... "LUCKY", THAT IS.


"LUCKY"?! ARE YOU SAYING THAT A PERSON'S ABILITIES AS A TRAINER OR HIS BATTLE SKILLS DON'T MATTER AT ALL?!
I WONDER... PERHAPS YOU OUGHT TO JUDGE THAT FOR YOURSELF...
...BY WATCHING THE WAY YOUR FRIEND BATTLES?


SIZZLE
SIZZLE
THIS IS A ROOM WITH A WILD POKÉMON! HE'S FACING A MILOTIC!
WHICH ROOM IS THIS...?
ROOM 042
IT'S THE 42ND ROOM!
...RUN FOR MY LIFE! BY~AYEE~!!
DASH
WHAAAAAAT?!
EMERALD HAS CLEARED THE 42ND ROOM AND COMPLETED THREE SETS
ROOM 042
CLEAR
HEY, EMERALD!!
YO!
RUSH
HE CLEARED THE ROOM BY RUNNING AWAY?! WHAT THE HECK'S GOING ON?!
SINCE HE'S COMPLETED ONE SET, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO TALK TO HIM NOW! I'LL JUST ASK HIM DIRECTLY!
SINCE THE MONITOR ALSO DISPLAYS THE NUMBER OF HALLS HE HAS PASSED THROUGH, LET'S SEE..
THAT MEANS THIS IS THE 21ST ROOM WITH AN EVENT!
EACH SET CONSISTS OF SEVEN ROOMS, SO... THIS IS THE LAST ROOM OF THE THIRD SET!
HMM..
GO FOR IT, EMERALD!! ONCE YOU CLEAR THAT ROOM, YOU'D HAVE COMPLETED THREE SETS!!
ALL RIGHT! TIME TO..
CONGRATS FOR CLEARING THREE SETS!
BUT... YOU RAN AWAY FROM THE 42ND ROOM WITHOUT BATTLING AT ALL! WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?!
AH, THAT?
IT'S BECAUSE MILOTIC'S A WILD POKÉMON, Y'SEE...
SO LONG AS I'M FAST ENOUGH, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO RUN AWAY FROM ANY WILD POKÉMON, DONCHA THINK?
OH.. SO THAT'S WHY.


SHAAM
"SOLARBEAM"!!

WHOA!
RUMBLE
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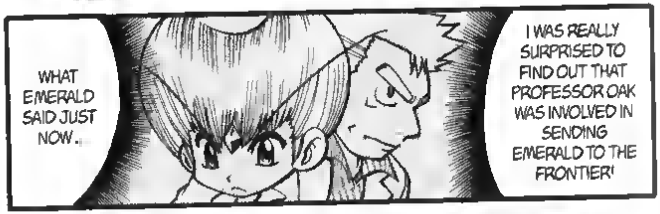
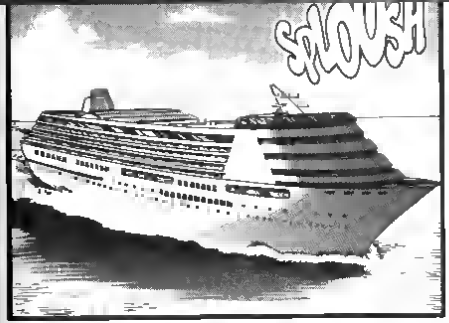

WHAT EMERALD SAID JUST NOW..
I WAS REALLY SURPRISED TO FIND OUT THAT PROFESSOR OAK WAS INVOLVED IN SENDING EMERALD TO THE FRONTIER!

BUT...
...WHAT WISH DOES PROFESSOR OAK WANT JIRACHI TO GRANT HIM?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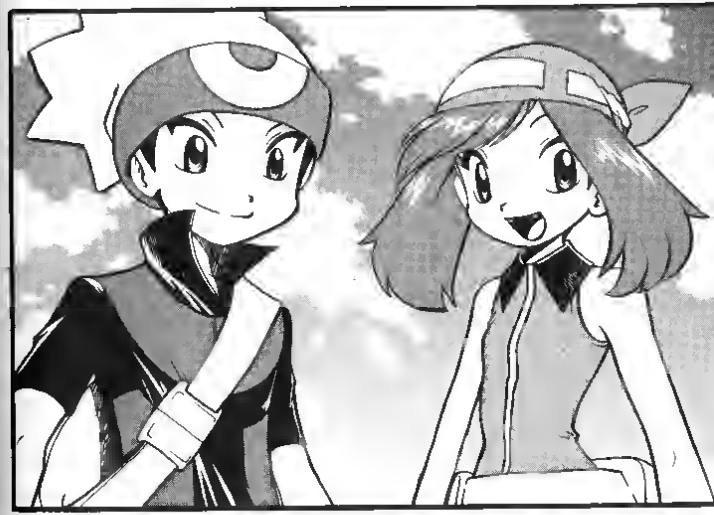
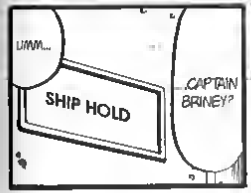
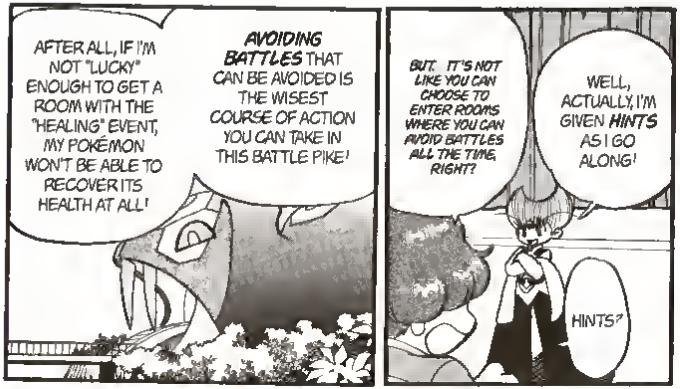
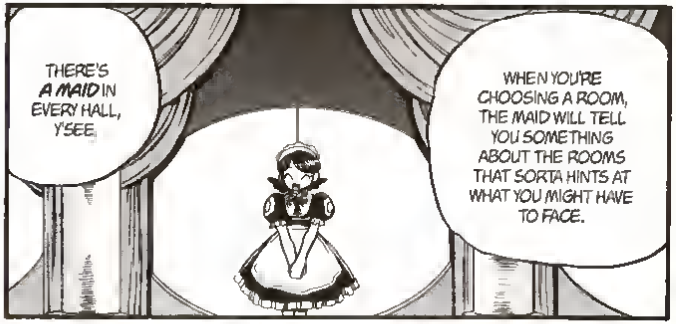



UMM...
SHIP HOLD
...CAPTAIN BRINEY?

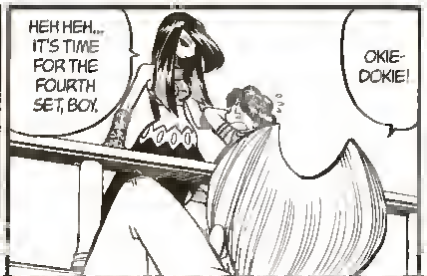
WHAT IS THIS?

TIS' THE FIVE STONE STATUES, AYE!
CAPTAIN, PLEASE WEAR YOUR UNIFORM...
WE'RE GONNA BE FERRYIN' THEM TO THE BATTLE FRONTIER'S BATTLE TOWER AFTER THE WEDDIN' CEREMONY TOMORROW!
THE STONE STATUES? WHATEVER FOR?
DON'T KNOW! I'M ONLY TRANSPORTIN' THEM! A MAN OF THE SEA MINDS HIS OWN BUSINESS!
BE CAREFUL WITH 'EM, Y'HEAR? WE'RE PROFESSIONAL TRANSPORTERS! I DON'T WANNA BE SEEIN NO SINGLE SCRATCH ON 'EM!
SIR, YOUR UNIFORM...
AYE, SIR!
SQUEAK-SQUEAK
ALRIGHT, THEN...!
TO BE CONTINUED...


AFTER ALL, IF I'M NOT "LUCKY" ENOUGH TO GET A ROOM WITH THE "HEALING" EVENT, MY POKÉMON WON'T BE ABLE TO RECOVER ITS HEALTH AT ALL!
AVOIDING BATTLES THAT CAN BE AVOIDED IS THE WISEST COURSE OF ACTION YOU CAN TAKE IN THIS BATTLE PIKE!
BUT, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN CHOOSE TO ENTER ROOMS WHERE YOU CAN AVOID BATTLES ALL THE TIME, RIGHT?
WELL, ACTUALLY, I'M GIVEN HINTS AS I GO ALONG!
HINTS?

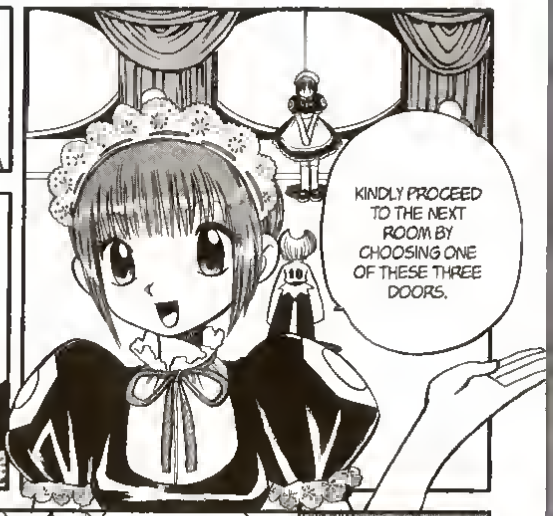

THERE'S A MAID IN EVERY HALL, Y'SEE.
WHEN YOU'RE CHOOSING A ROOM, THE MAID WILL TELL YOU SOMETHING ABOUT THE ROOMS THAT SORTA HINTS AT WHAT YOU MIGHT HAVE TO FACE.

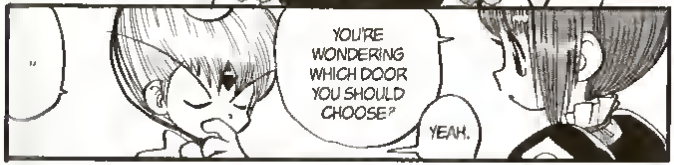
WHAT KIND OF HINTS DO THEY..
GYAH!!


HEH HEH... IT'S TIME FOR THE FOURTH SET, BOY.
OKIE-DOKIE!

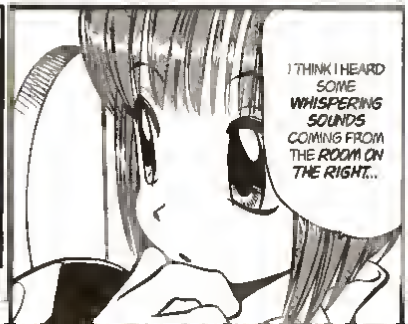
CLANG

WELCOME TO THE FOURTH SET! THIS WILL BE YOUR 93RD ROOM.

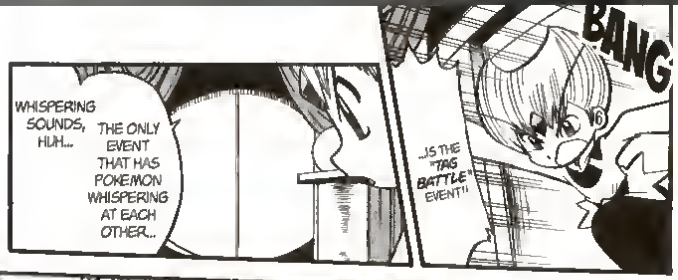

KINDLY PROCEED TO THE NEXT ROOM BY CHOOSING ONE OF THESE THREE DOORS.

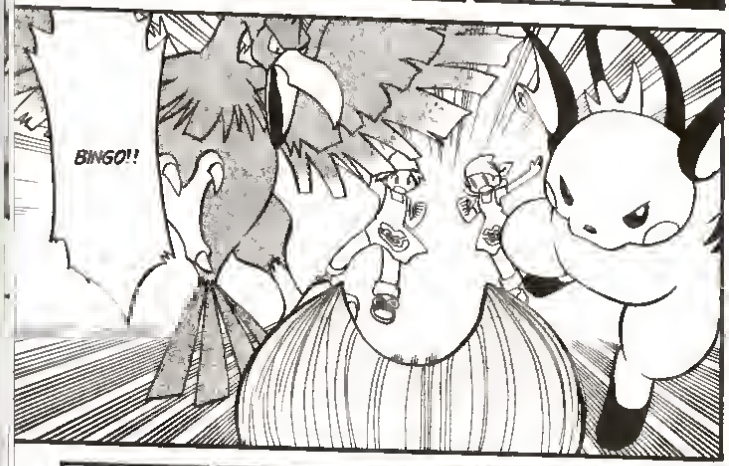

"
YOU'RE WONDERING WHICH DOOR YOU SHOULD CHOOSE?
YEAH.

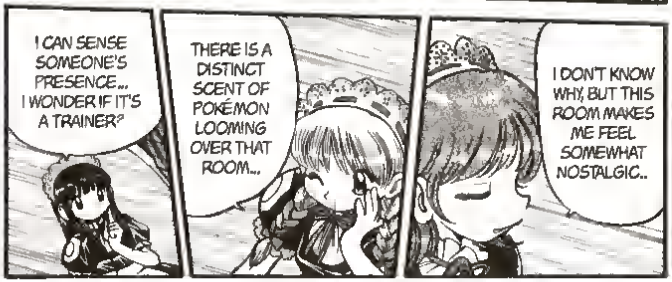
I SEE..

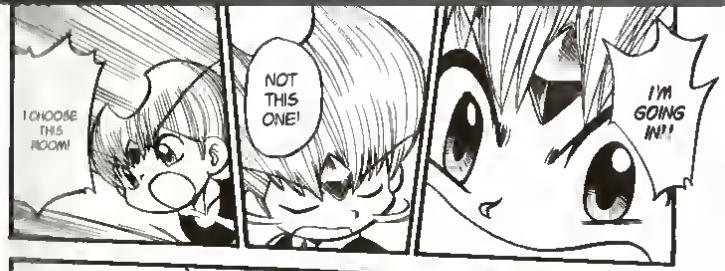

I THINK I HEARD SOME WHISPERING SOUNDS COMING FROM THE ROOM ON THE RIGHT...

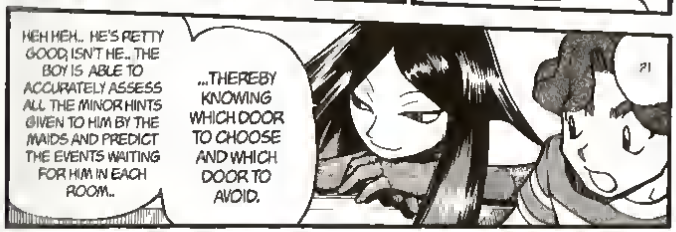
HE'S RIGHT! THAT MAID GIRL SEEMS TO BE SAYING SOMETHING!


WHISPERING SOUNDS, HUH...
THE ONLY EVENT THAT HAS POKÉMON WHISPERING AT EACH OTHER...
BANG
...IS THE "TAG BATTLE" EVENT?!

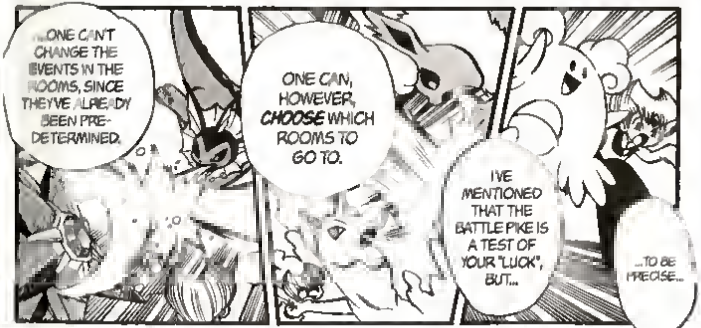

BINGO!!

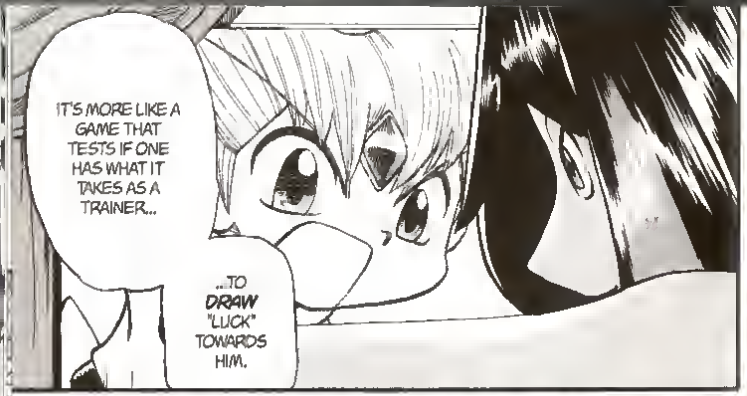

I CAN SENSE SOMEONE'S PRESENCE... I WONDER IF IT'S A TRAINER?
THERE IS A DISTINCT SCENT OF POKÉMON LOOMING OVER THAT ROOM...
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT THIS ROOM MAKES ME FEEL SOMEWHAT NOSTALGIC..

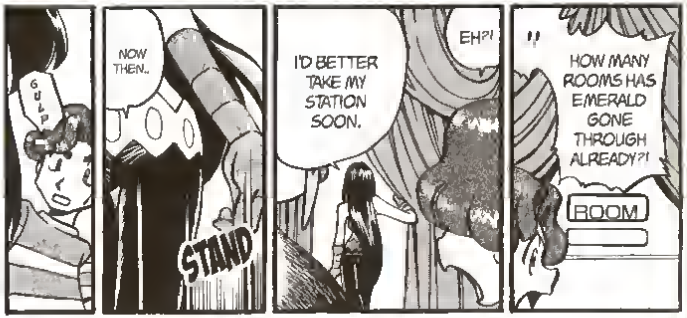

I CHOOSE THIS ROOM!
NOT THIS ONE!
I'M GOING IN!!

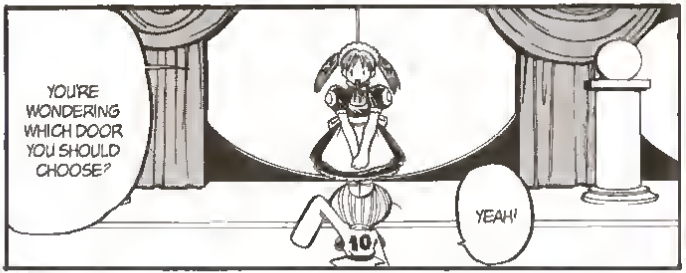

HEH HEH.. HE'S PRETTY GOOD, ISN'T HE.. THE BOY IS ABLE TO ACCURATELY ASSESS ALL THE MINOR HINTS GIVEN TO HIM BY THE MAIDS AND PREDICT THE EVENTS WAITING FOR HIM IN EACH ROOM..
...THEREBY KNOWING WHICH DOOR TO CHOOSE AND WHICH DOOR TO AVOID.
?!

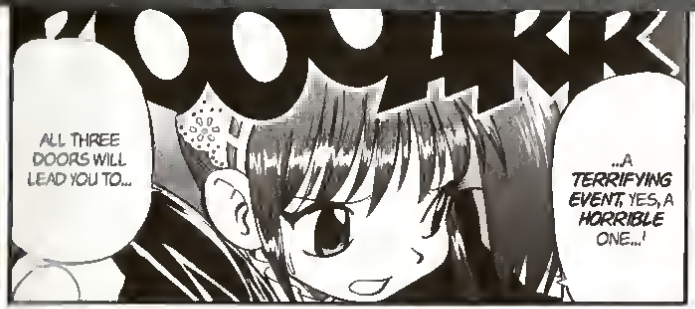
WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY, REPORTER BOY, IS THAT...

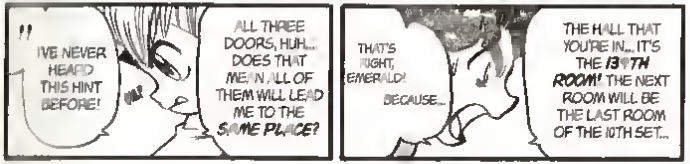

...ONE CAN'T CHANGE THE EVENTS IN THE ROOMS, SINCE THEY'VE ALREADY BEEN PRE-DETERMINED.
ONE CAN, HOWEVER, CHOOSE WHICH ROOMS TO GO TO.
I'VE MENTIONED THAT THE BATTLE PIKE IS A TEST OF YOUR "LUCK", BUT...
...TO BE PRECISE...


IT'S MORE LIKE A GAME THAT TESTS IF ONE HAS WHAT IT TAKES AS A TRAINER...
...TO DRAW "LUCK" TOWARDS HIM.

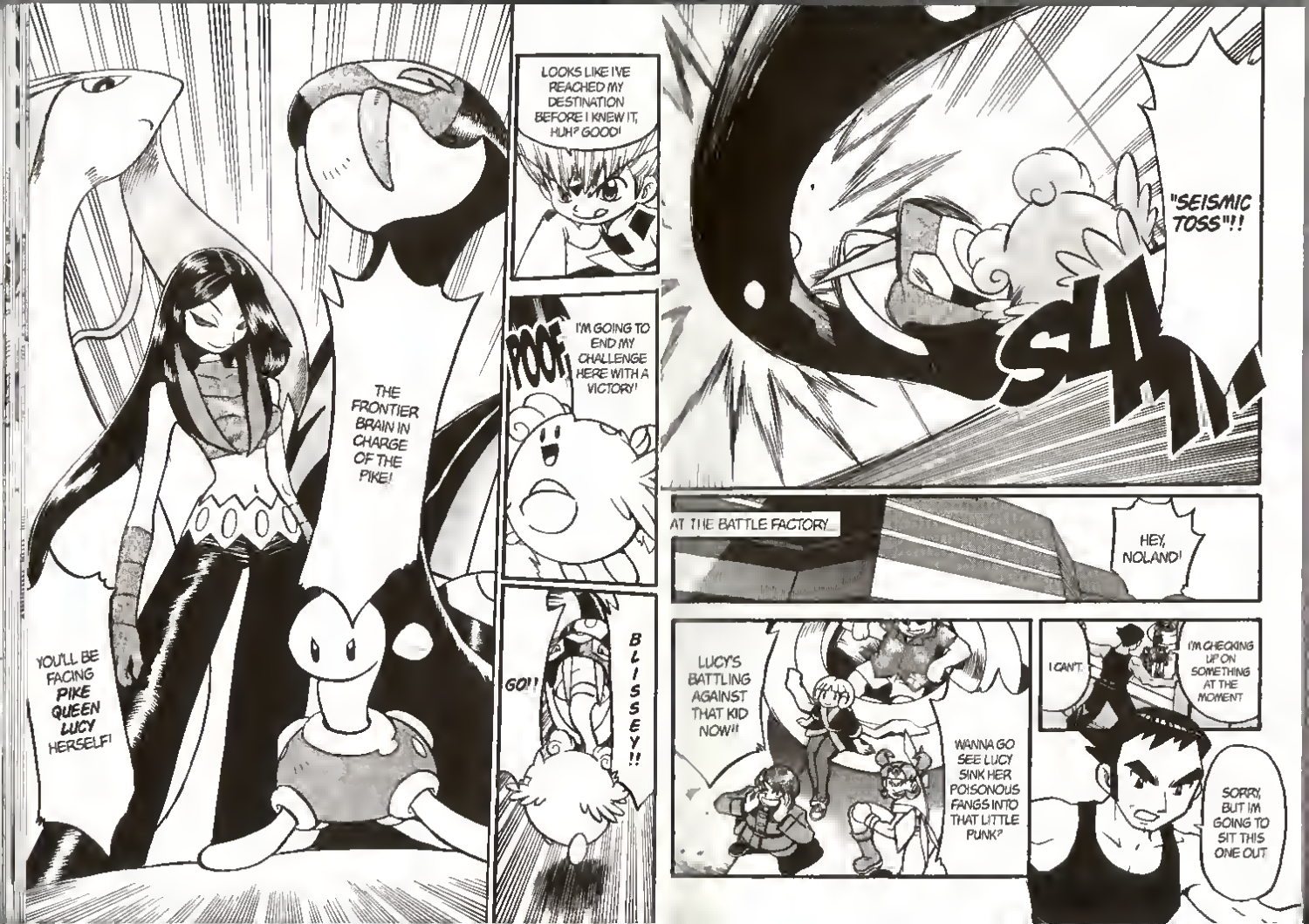

GULP
NOW THEN..
STAND
I'D BETTER TAKE MY STATION SOON.
EH?!
"
HOW MANY ROOMS HAS EMERALD GONE THROUGH ALREADY?!
ROOM

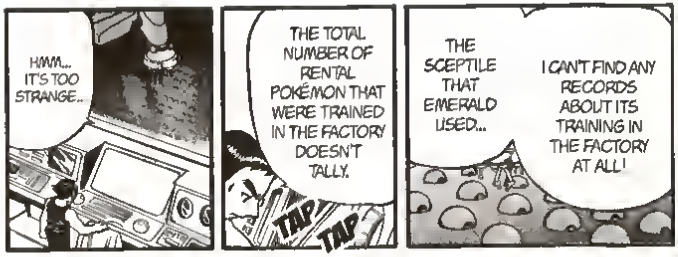

YOU'RE WONDERING WHICH DOOR YOU SHOULD CHOOSE?
YEAH!

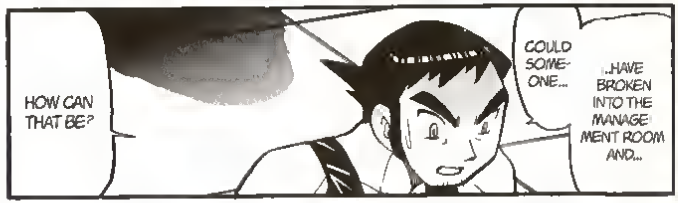

ALL THREE DOORS WILL LEAD YOU TO...
...A TERRIFYING EVENT, YES, A HORRIBLE ONE...!

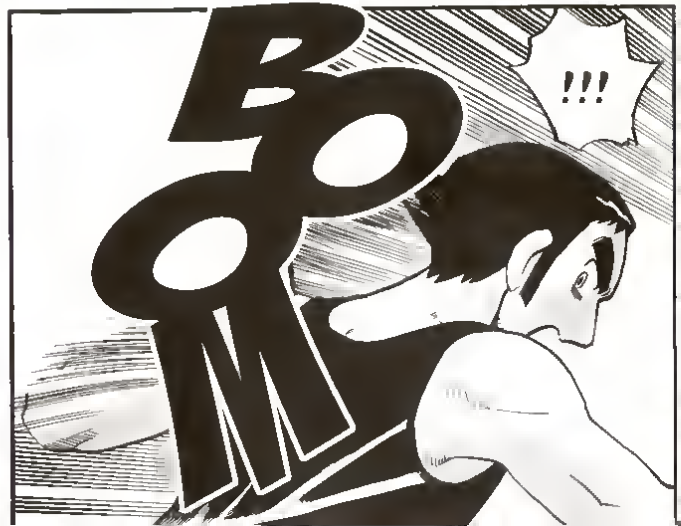

"
I'VE NEVER HEARD THIS HINT BEFORE!
HM?
ALL THREE DOORS, HUH... DOES THAT MEAN ALL OF THEM WILL LEAD ME TO THE SAME PLACE?
THAT'S RIGHT, EMERALD!
BECAUSE...
THE HALL THAT YOU'RE IN... IT'S THE 13TH ROOM! THE NEXT ROOM WILL BE THE LAST ROOM OF THE 10TH SET...

CLANG
WHOOSH


LOOKS LIKE I'VE REACHED MY DESTINATION BEFORE I KNEW IT, HUH? GOOD!
POOF
I'M GOING TO END MY CHALLENGE HERE WITH A VICTORY!
GO!!
BLISSEY!!
THE FRONTIER BRAIN IN CHARGE OF THE PIKE!
YOU'LL BE FACING PIKE QUEEN LUCY HERSELF!
"SEISMIC TOSS"!!
SLAM
AT THE BATTLE FACTORY...
HEY, NOLAND!
I'M CHECKING UP ON SOMETHING AT THE MOMENT
I CAN'T.
SORRY, BUT I'M GOING TO SIT THIS ONE OUT.
LUCY'S BATTLING AGAINST THAT KID NOW!!
WANNA GO SEE LUCY SINK HER POISONOUS FANGS INTO THAT LITTLE PUNK?


HMM... IT'S TOO STRANGE..
THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RENTAL POKÉMON THAT WERE TRAINED IN THE FACTORY DOESN'T TALLY.
TAP
TAP
THE SCEPTILE THAT EMERALD USED...
I CAN'T FIND ANY RECORDS ABOUT ITS TRAINING IN THE FACTORY AT ALL!





DEAR MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Thank you for being here to cover the opening of the Battle Frontier facility!

Please allow us to continue explaining the rules of the facilities.

SCOTT

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE PIKE PART 2

There are eight different events you may trigger when choosing a room. We will take this opportunity to explain what each event is about.

■ THE EIGHT DIFFERENT EVENTS OF THE ROOMS ■

(1) Single Battle Room
You battle against a trainer who has three Pokémon on hand.

(2) Tag Battle Room
You battle against two trainers who each have one Pokémon on hand.

(3) Formidable Opponent Room
You battle against a very strong trainer who has three Pokémon on hand. If you win, all your Pokémon will be completely healed.

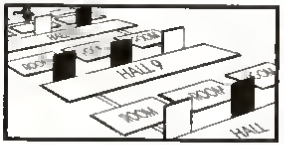
(4) Wild Pokémon Room
A room with a wild Milotic, Dusclops and Seviper. All these Pokémon are able to inflict negative status effects.

(5) Negative Status Effect Room
A Kirlia and Dusclops will hit your Pokémon on hand with either Poison, Paralyze, Sleep, Burn or Freeze.

(6) Conversation Room
A trainer will appear and talk about something that is not related to battling at all. You can also just pass straight through the room.

(7) Healing Room (for one or two Pokémon)
A gentleman of the facility will randomly select and cure two of your Pokémon on hand.

(8) Healing Room (for all three Pokémon)
A staff of the facility will cure all three Pokémon you have on hand.



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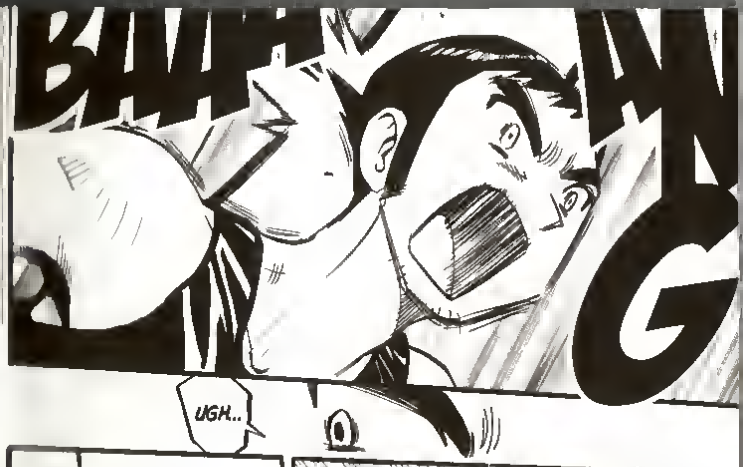
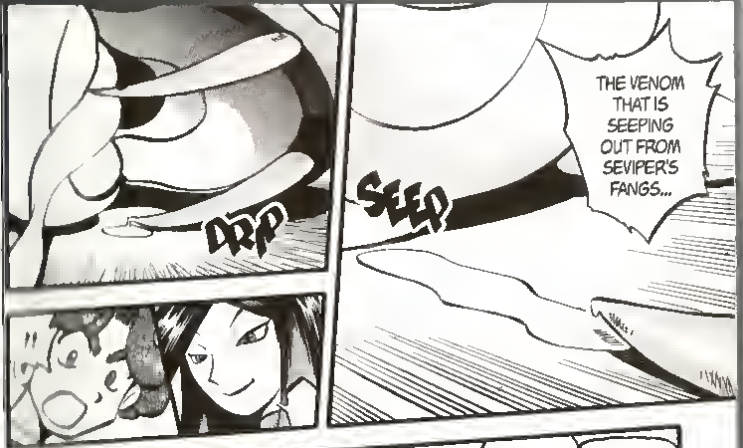
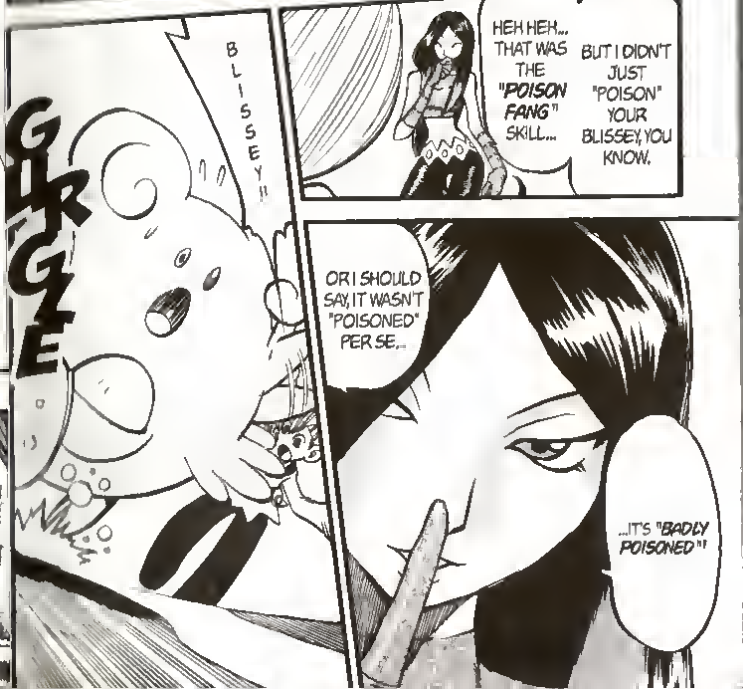
VS. SHUCKLE

POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

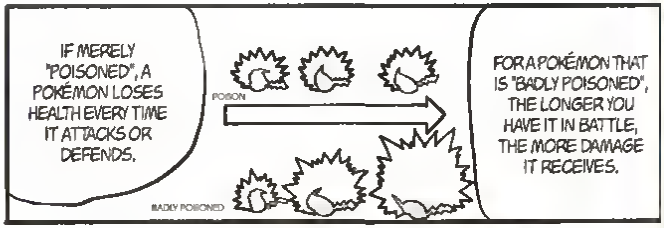


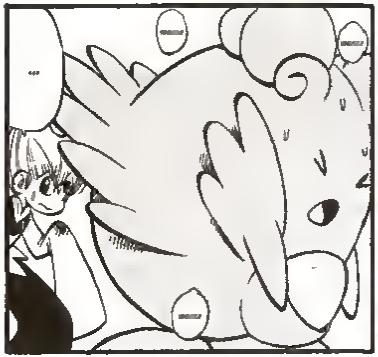
THE ONE WHO RISES FOR SEVEN DAYS ONLY...
..AFTER A THOUSAND YEARS OF SLEEP.. THE WISH POKÉMON..
...JIRACHI!!


DRIP
SLEEP
THE VENOM THAT IS SEEPING OUT FROM SEVIPER'S FANGS...
HEH HEH... THAT WAS THE "POISON FANG" SKILL...
BUT I DIDN'T JUST "POISON" YOUR BLISSEY, YOU KNOW.

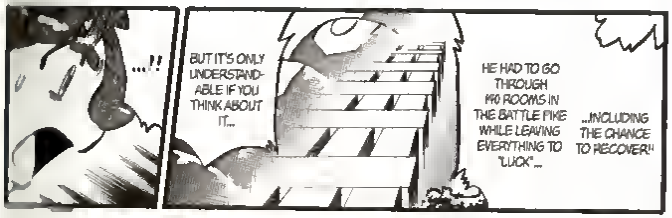

GIRGLE
BLISSEY!!
OR I SHOULD SAY, IT WASN'T "POISONED" PER SE..
...IT'S "BADLY POISONED"!

BATTLE PIKE
HE DID IT!!
"SEISMIC TOSS"!

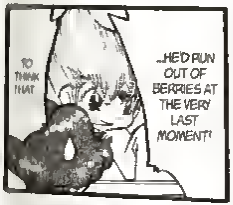

IF MERELY "POISONED", A POKÉMON LOSES HEALTH EVERY TIME IT ATTACKS OR DEFENDS.
POISON
BADLY POISONED
FOR A POKÉMON THAT IS "BADLY POISONED", THE LONGER YOU HAVE IT IN BATTLE, THE MORE DAMAGE IT RECEIVES.

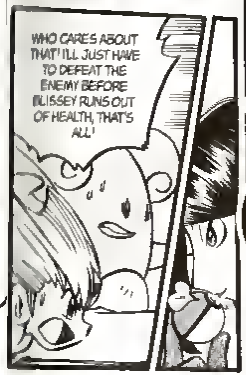

...
WHAT'S WRONG, EMERALD?!
WHY ARE YOU LEAVING YOUR BLISSEY BADLY POISONED? DON'T YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO REVERSE THE STATUS EFFECT?!
HEH HEH...
YOU DIDN'T GIVE IT ANY BERRIES TO HOLD, DID YOU...

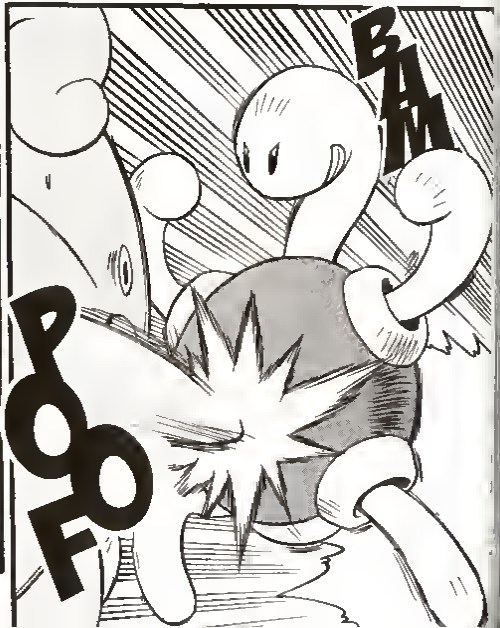
YEAH...
...OR RATHER, I DON'T HAVE ANY BERRIES LEFT!
I WANTED IT TO HOLD ON TO THE PECHA BERRY, BUT I ALREADY USED UP THE LAST ONE IN THE PREVIOUS ROOM!


...!!
BUT IT'S ONLY UNDERSTANDABLE IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT...
HE HAD TO GO THROUGH 90 ROOMS IN THE BATTLE PIKE WHILE LEAVING EVERYTHING TO "LUCK"...
...INCLUDING THE CHANCE TO RECOVER!!

IT'D BEEN MORE THAN EIGHT HOURS SINCE EMERALD STARTED HIS CHALLENGE...
THE REPORTERS ARE GETTING LESS AND LESS AGAIN...
...OF THE 70 OR SO ROOMS HE'S HAD TO GO THROUGH, MANY OF THEM INFLICTED NEGATIVE STATUS EFFECTS ON HIS POKÉMON THAT EMERALD HAD TO MAKE HIS POKÉMON HOLD ONTO NEW BERRIES EVERY TIME HE COMPLETED A SET!


TO THINK THAT...
...HE'D RUN OUT OF BERRIES AT THE VERY LAST MOMENT!


WHO CARES ABOUT THAT! I'LL JUST HAVE TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY BEFORE BLISSEY RUNS OUT OF HEALTH, THAT'S ALL!


BAM
POOF

SO YOU EXCHANGED IT FOR SHUCKLE!!
SHUCKLE'S STRONG DEFENSE IS ITS MOST POWERFUL WEAPON!
IT'LL BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND ANY SORT OF ATTACK YOU THROW AT IT!!
POOF
TIME FOR ME TO EXCHANGE TOO, THEN!
SHRINK
STARMIE!!
A WATER-TYPE POKEMON AGAINST THE ROCK-TYPE SHUCKLE! GOOD MOVE!!
THIS IS A GREAT CHANCE FOR YOU TO BRING IT DOWN IN ONE SHOT, EMERALD!!
?!
SHOOSH
OOSH
RATTLE
RATTLE
RATTLE
IT'S USING "PROTECT", HUH?
SHE'S NOT LETTING EMERALD HAVE HIS WAY AT ALL...
GUESS SHE'S NOT A FRONTIER BRAIN AND FIKE QUEEN FOR NOTHING!
WHAT THE...?!
STEAM-ROLL IT!!
STARMIE'S BEEN "POISONED" TOO?!
WOBBLE
WOBBLE
THAT SHUCKLE OF HERS USES "TOXIC" AS WELL?!
"SURF" !!
OOSH
OOSH
OOSH
• KNOCK OUT •
SHUCKLE ♀
BUG / ROCK
ABILITY STURDY
• TOXIC • PROTECT
• SANDSTORM • ROCK SLIDE
HELD ITEM HARD STONE
SHOOSH
SHOOSH
SHOOSH
SHOOSH

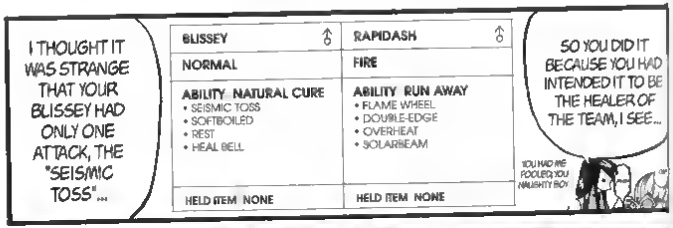
HEH... SO YOU'VE MANAGED TO DEFEAT SHUCKLE...
CLICK
BUT YOUR STARMIE IS STILL IN A "POISONED" STATE...
YOU CAN'T CURE IT EVEN IF YOU WANT TO...
...AND YOU'VE ALREADY FINISHED ALL THE LUM BERRIES YOU HAD BEFORE COMING TO THIS ROOM, RIGHT?
WILL YOU KEEP FIGHTING WITH A "POISONED" POKÉMON, OR LET IT CURE ITSELF FIRST? IT'S OBVIOUS WHICH CHOICE IS MORE FAVORABLE!
...
LUCY SURE IS GOOD AT GOADING SOMEONE!
THE ONLY POKÉMON EMERALD HAS ON HAND THAT'S STILL IN FULL HEALTH IS RAPIDASH!
IF YOU ONLY HAD ONE MORE LUM OR PECHA BERRY, THIS BATTLE MIGHT HAVE TURNED OUT DIFFERENTLY...
THIS IS HOW THE BATTLE PIKE WORKS - IT'S A TRUE TEST OF YOUR "LUCK", WHERE EVEN ONE BERRY CAN MAKE A WORLD OF A DIFFERENCE! IN OTHER WORDS...
SINCE THEY BOTH KNOW WHAT POKÉMON THE OTHER OPPONENT HAS ON HAND, ONCE EMERALD SWITCHES RAPIDASH INTO THE BATTLE...
...LUCY WILL DEFINITELY COUNTER-ATTACK BY UNLEASHING HER MILOTIC ON IT!
EMERALD... WILL YOU LET YOURSELF BE GOADED...
...BY HER?!
I'M...
...YOU'RE DEFINITELY DOWN ON YOUR "LUCK" AT THE MOMENT...
...EMERALD!
I'M GONNA KEEP USING STARMIE!!
BAM
WELL? DON'T BE SO OBSTINATE AND DO AN EXCHANGE!
IF YOU RETURN STARMIE TO THE POKÉBALL, IT WILL USE ITS "NATURAL CURE" ABILITY TO RECOVER FROM THE "POISON"...
PRRR
BLISSEY HAS THE SAME ABILITY, AND IT HAS ALREADY RECOVERED FROM THE "POISON" AFTER YOU RETURNED IT TO THE POKÉBALL!

BOOF
STUBBORN ONE, AREN'T YOU...
"PSYCHIC"!!
SCREECH
"MIRROR COAT"!!
CRACK
A REBOUND!! STARMIE'S HIT BY A SPECIAL ATTACK AT DOUBLE THE POWER!!
OH, LOOK... THE POOR DEAR'S BARELY ALIVE! FINISH IT OFF, MILOTIC!
ONE LAST ATTACK!
IF I CAN JUST USE IT FOR ONE LAST ATTACK...!!
"THUNDERBOLT"!!
THUMP
THUD
• KNOCK OUT •
STARMIE
WATER / PSYCHIC
ABILITY NATURAL CURE
• PSYCHIC • ICE BEAM
• THUNDERBOLT • SURF
HELD ITEM NONE
• KNOCK OUT •
MILOTIC ♀
WATER
ABILITY MARVEL SCALE
• ICE BEAM • RECOVER
• MIRROR COAT • SURF
HELD ITEM LEFTOVERS
I SEE! ALTHOUGH STARMIE'S A WATER-TYPE, YOU SAVED ITS "THUNDERBOLT", A LEARNT SKILL, FOR THE FINAL ATTACK!
THAT'S WHY YOU INSISTED ON USING STARMIE UNTIL IT WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT MILOTIC!

AND EMERALD STILL HAS BLISSEY AND...
LUCY HAS ONLY ONE MORE POKEMON ON HAND NOW!
..RAPIDASH!!
BO
DOES RAPIDASH HAVE ANY COUNTER-MEASURE AGAINST "POISON"?
IT WAS ABLE TO USE "FLAME WHEEL" TO BREAK OUT FROM BEING "FROZEN", BUT...
...EMERALD NO LONGER HAS ANY MORE BERRIES... IF RAPIDASH GETS "BADLY POISONED" BY LUCY'S SEVIPER, THEN...!!
GIRGLEGL
I KNEW IT!! IT'S "POISONED" ALREADY!!
WHOA! LOOK AT 'EM GO!
CHATTER CHATTER
CHATTER CHATTER
THAT SHORTIE'S A SITTING DUCK FOR LUCY'S ATTACKS FOR SURE!
ALL HIS POKEMON MUST BE POISONED BY NOW!
I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HIS CRYING FACE..
HMM?
EMERALD'S POKEMON IS POISONED, BUT,
LUCY'S ONLY LEFT WITH HER SEVIPER?!
..HE'S SOMEHOW MANAGED TO PUSH LUCY INTO A CORNER!
BRING HIM DOWN, LUCY!!
CUT THAT SHORTIE DOWN TO SIZE FOR THE FRONTIER BRAINS!
"GIGA DRAIN"!!

ZAAP
ZAAP
THUD
RAPIDASH IS DOWN IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE
BESIDES REDUCING ITS HEALTH WITH "POISON", SHE USED THE "GIGA DRAIN" TO DRAIN EVEN MORE OF ITS HEALTH AWAY!
BLISSEY!
POP
SO IT ALL BOILS DOWN TO A CONTEST OF STRENGTH, HUH?
"CRUNCH"!!
TWO CAN PLAY AT THAT GAME!!
"SEISMIC TOSS"
THEY'RE ON PAR..
WHAT AN INTENSE CLASH!
NO! LUCY'S SEVIPER IS DEFINITELY STRONGER.
WHAM
WHAM
UH! BLISSEY WAS TRAINED TO HAVE A HIGH DEFENSE ALONG WITH A GUTSY PERSONALITY, BUT..
AT THIS RATE..
LUCY WINS!!

YOU DID IT, LUCY!!
WAIT!!
BLURR
SOME-THING'S... NOT RIGHT
TINKLE
?
THIS SOUND...
SEVIPER'S ON FIRE?!
ROO-AR
THAT'S... THE FLAMES OF "OVERHEAT"?!
THEN...
FLARE
THE RAPIDASH...
...CAN STILL MOVE?!
SIZZLE
• KNOCK OUT •
SEVIPER
POSION
ABILITY SHED SKIN
• SWAGGER
• GIGA DRAIN
• CRUNCH
• POISON FANG
HELD ITEM QUICK CLAW
KNOCK OUT!
SEVIPER'S BEEN KNOCKED OUT!
FLING
THAT MEANS EMERALD'S WON!!
BUT HOW?!
!!
THE "HEAL BELL" AND...
TINKLE
..."SOFT-BOILED"!!
"HEAL BELL" IS A SKILL THAT HEALS ALL PARTY MEMBERS' STATUS ABNORMALITIES
...WHEREAS "SOFTBOILED" IS A SKILL THAT GIVES A PART OF ITS HEALTH TO ITS COMRADES
YOU MADE IT SEEM LIKE YOU WERE GETTING BLISSEY TO ATTACK DURING THE LAST ROUND, WHEN IN FACT, YOU WERE COMMANDING IT TO HELP RAPIDASH BY CURING IT
AM I RIGHT?
GRIN


I THOUGHT IT WAS STRANGE THAT YOUR BLISSEY HAD ONLY ONE ATTACK, THE "SEISMIC TOSS"...
BLISSEY
NORMAL
ABILITY NATURAL CURE
• SEISMIC TOSS
• SOFTBOILED
• REST
• HEAL BELL
HELD ITEM NONE
RAPIDASH
FIRE
ABILITY RUN AWAY
• FLAME WHEEL
• DOUBLE-EDGE
• OVERHEAT
• SOLARBEAM
HELD ITEM NONE
SO YOU DID IT BECAUSE YOU HAD INTENDED IT TO BE THE HEALER OF THE TEAM, I SEE...
YOU HAD ME FOOLED; YOU HAUGHTY BOY

BUT, THE FACT THAT I WAS UNABLE TO DISCOVER THIS STRATEGY OF YOURS FOR 190 ROOMS...
...SHOWS JUST HOW "LUCKY" YOU ARE.
IT IS PROOF THAT YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES AS A TRAINER TO DRAW "LUCK" TO YOU!

THE GOLDEN SYMBOL OF LUCK PROVES THAT YOU HAVE CONQUERED THE BATTLE PIKE WITH YOUR "GOOD FORTUNE".
HERE.
BUT I DIDN'T NEED IT!
GEE, THANKS!
WHOA!!
DON'T DO THAT! PUT IT PROPERLY IN YOUR PASS, OKAY?!

THE SECOND DAY OF MY SEVEN-DAY CHALLENGE HERE...
LUCK
..IS COMPLETE!

YOU THERE! I'M IN THE MOOD NOW, SO I'LL GO TO YOUR FACILITY FOR TOMORROW'S CHALLENGE!
THAT'S BRANDON TO YOU!!
YA LITTLE PUNK!!

I'LL BE TAKING ON THE BATTLE PYRAMID TOMORROW! SEE YA!
OH, YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO BACK THE WAY YOU CAME. YOU KNOW THERE'S AN EXIT THERE THAT LEADS DIRECTLY TO THE OUTSIDE..

THAT'S OKAY! I COULD USE A LITTLE WALK TO COOL DOWN!
CLANG
?

EMERALD! YOU'RE NOT REALLY TAKING A WALK TO COOL DOWN, ARE YOU?
CLANG
TMP
TMP
TMP
IS THERE ANY PARTICULAR REASON WHY YOU'D WANT TO GO BACK?
OOPS, CAN'T FOOL YOU, HUH... WELL, TRUTH IS I JUST WANTED TO TALK TO THIS GIRL HERE
THE MAID?
AREN'T YOU A STUD...

HOW DID IT GO?

YOU CAME ACROSS QUITE A LOT OF ROOMS WITH WILD POKÉMON, DIDN'T YOU? WERE THERE ANY POKÉMON THAT SEEMED SUSPICIOUS, LIKE THE SCEPTILE?
YEAH! IN ROOM 18, ROOM 56, ROOM 134, AND...
IF WE LEAVE THEM HERE, THEY MIGHT GO BERSERK AGAIN BECAUSE OF ONE THING OR ANOTHER!
?
?
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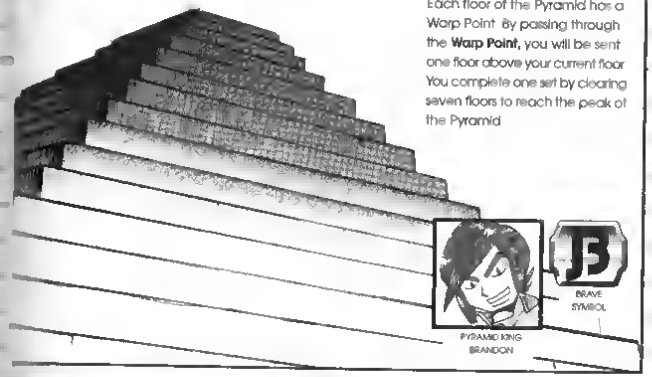
SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE PYRAMID PART 1

BATTLE MODE	POKÉMON ALLOWED	OBTAINABLE SYMBOL	REQUIREMENT FOR SYMBOL ACQUISITION
SINGLE DOUBLE	THREE	BRAVE	10 SETS OF SEVEN FLOORS EACH = 70 FLOORS

Explore the Pyramid and aim for the top floor. Every time you enter the Pyramid, its interior changes. The facility is shrouded in darkness at first, but the place will slowly light up as you defeat the wild Pokémon and trainers there. You may also meet up with trainers who will drop hints about where the exit is located.

Each floor of the Pyramid has a Warp Point. By passing through the **Warp Point**, you will be sent one floor above your current floor. You complete one set by clearing seven floors to reach the peak of the Pyramid.



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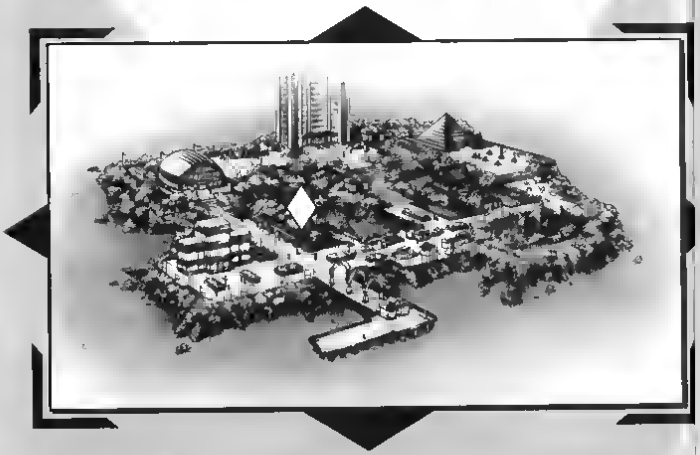
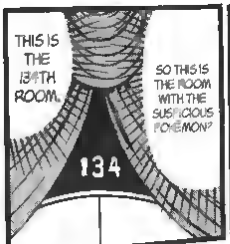


POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

FLICKER
THE MAID..
FLICKER FLICKER
..HAS TURNED INTO A POKÉMON ?!
T-THIS POKÉMON IS ABLE TO TRANSFORM INTO A HUMAN?!
YOU ARE WRONG
SWEAT
EH?
THIS HUMAN FORM IS MERELY AN IMAGE I'M MAKING YOU SEE THROUGH THE REFRACTION OF LIGHT
FLICKER
I DID THIS SO THAT I CAN HELP RALD OUT IN SECRET!
GAAH! T.T THERE'S THE SOUND OF SOMEONE'S VOICE IN MY HEAD!!
OH, THAT'S JUST LATIAS TALKING TO YOU THROUGH TELEPATHY, DONCHA KNOW!
YES!

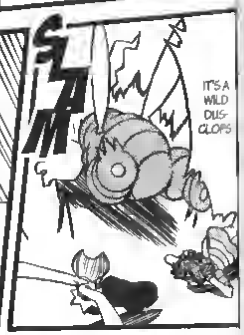
I THINK THAT YOU ARE TRUSTWORTHY. ALSO, YOU MAY BE OF SOME HELP TO US...
...THAT IS WHY I HAVE DECIDED TO TRANSMIT MY THOUGHTS TO YOU.

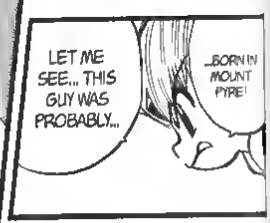
WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO THAT'S SO IMPORTANT YOU HAD TO DO ALL THIS, EMERALD?!
WELL, JUST WAIT AND SEE!


THIS IS THE 134TH ROOM.
134
SO THIS IS THE ROOM WITH THE SUSPICIOUS POKÉMON?

SLIDE

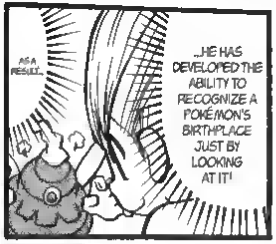
POUNCE


IT'S A WILD DUSCLOPS


LET ME SEE... THIS GUY WAS PROBABLY...
...BORN IN MOUNT PYRE!

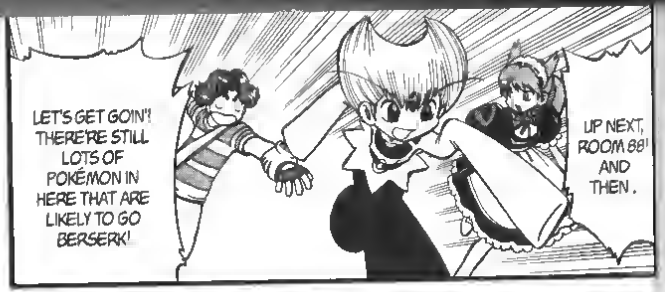
IN THAT CASE..
...THIS IS THE SOIL TO USE!
?!
STRETCH

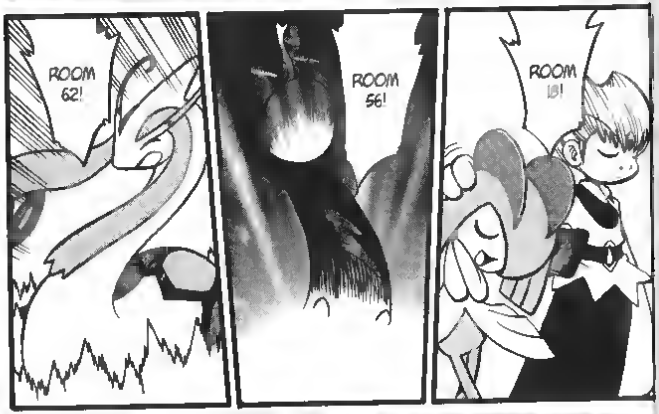
THE PLACE IT WAS BORN IN?! HOW?! WHAT IS IT?!
RALD HAS GONE TO MANY DIFFERENT PLACES AND COME INTO CONTACT WITH MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF POKÉMON


AS A RESULT,
...HE HAS DEVELOPED THE ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE A POKÉMON'S BIRTHPLACE JUST BY LOOKING AT IT!

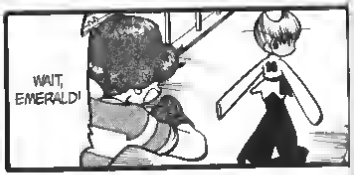
PUTT
PUTT
PUTT
PUTT
THE AMMUNITION HE'S SHOOTING OUT RIGHT NOW IS THE "SOIL" FROM THAT POKÉMON'S BIRTHPLACE!
FLARE
HMMM
IT'S THE SAME THING THAT HAPPENED TO THAT SUDOWOODO AND SCEPTILE!
THE DUSCLOPS WAS ALL FIRED UP TO FIGHT, BUT EMERALD CALMED IT DOWN IN AN INSTANT!
THE SOIL...
THAT'S RIGHT! HE DID THIS TO THE SUDOWOODO TOO!

THIS IS "SOIL" FROM THAT DUSCLOPS' BIRTHPLACE?
IT'S SOIL FROM MOUNT PYRE!
THAT "SOIL" IS ATTACHED TO A SPECIAL TYPE OF "STRING", WHICH CREATES AN AREA THAT SURROUNDS THE POKÉMON ENTIRELY.
THE SCENT OF THE SOIL OF ITS HOMETOWN MAKES EVEN THE ANGRIEST POKÉMON COME BACK TO ITS SENSES BY SOOTHING ITS HEART!
RALD CALLS THAT AREA A "FORMATION".
A-ARE YOU TELLING ME YOU'VE BEEN BRINGING ALL KINDS OF "SOIL" AROUND WITH YOU ALL THIS TIME?!
YUP! WANNA SEE?
SPROING
SPIN
IT'S TRUE...! YOU'VE GOT SOIL FROM HOENN...
...KANTO, AND EVEN JOHTO, STORED IN HIGH-COMPRESSION CARTRIDGES!

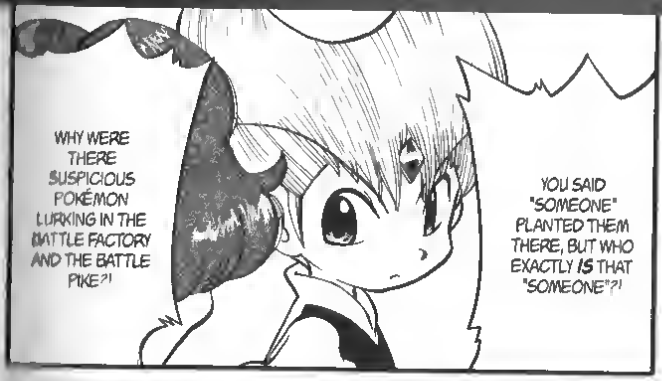

LET'S GET GOIN'! THERE'RE STILL LOTS OF POKÉMON IN HERE THAT ARE LIKELY TO GO BERSERK!
UP NEXT, ROOM 88! AND THEN .

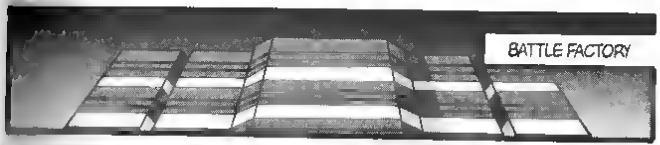

ROOM 62!
ROOM 56!
ROOM 18!

PHEW.. WE'RE FINALLY DONE!
SEE YA, LATIAS!


WAIT, EMERALD!

I KNOW HOW YOU MANAGE TO CALM POKÉMON DOWN IN AN INSTANT NOW, BUT...
..YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME EVERYTHING YET, HAVE YOU?!


WHY WERE THERE SUSPICIOUS POKÉMON LURKING IN THE BATTLE FACTORY AND THE BATTLE PIKE?!
YOU SAID "SOMEONE" PLANTED THEM THERE, BUT WHO EXACTLY IS THAT "SOMEONE"?!


BATTLE FACTORY

ALL RIGHT...
CLANK

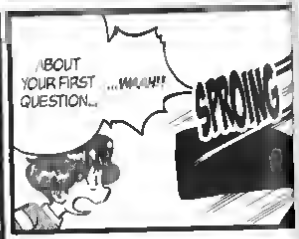
EVERYTHING IS IN PLACE NOW...

BUT..
CLANK
...I MUST HURRY.
I HAVE ONLY A SEVEN-DAY TIME FRAME TO CAPTURE JIRACHI...
...AND TWO DAYS HAVE ALREADY PASSED.
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
A DEMONSTRATION BATTLE WITH THE PRESS AS THE AUDIENCE..
IT'S BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE HERE AT THE FRONTIER THAT I AM UNABLE TO MOVE AROUND AS I PLEASE.
I KEPT MAKING POKÉMON GO BERSERK IN THE DIFFERENT FACILITIES SO THAT THEY WILL DISMISS THE PRESS IN VIEW OF THE DANGER, BUT..
...SOMEHOW, THINGS ARE NOT GOING ACCORDING TO MY PLAN..
SOMEONE OUT THERE'S TRYING TO FOIL MY PLANS.
HEH HEH HEH.. WHOEVER HE IS...
...HE MUST BE GOOD AT PREDICTING MY NEXT MOVE, DON'T YOU AGREE, SURSKIT?
HOH HEH.. HEH HEH HEH. VERY WELL.
LET HIM COME. TWO CAN PLAY AT THAT GAME... HEH HEH!

COME ON, EMERALD, TELL ME!
WHO'S THE MASTERMIND PULLING ALL THE STRINGS BEHIND THIS ENTIRE AFFAIR?
LEMME SEE, THAWILL SLEEP AROUND HERE TONIGHT

AND WHAT IS HIS MOTIVE?!
WHY ARE YOU PITTING YOURSELF AGAINST THAT PERSON?!
WHO WAS THE ONE WHO SENT YOU HERE?!
AND THOSE TWO POKÉMON .. THAT LATIAS AND LATIOS, WHY ARE THEY HELPING YOU?!

HMM, OKIE-DOKIE!
I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING!
SINCE IVE FOUND ME A PLACE TO SLEEP!!


ABOUT YOUR FIRST QUESTION...
...WAUH!!
SPROING

WHATRE YA DOING?! LEMME GO!!
EEEK!! IS THE CRIMINAL ATTACKING ALREADY?!

UGH...
WHO'RE YOU CALLING A CRIMINAL?!

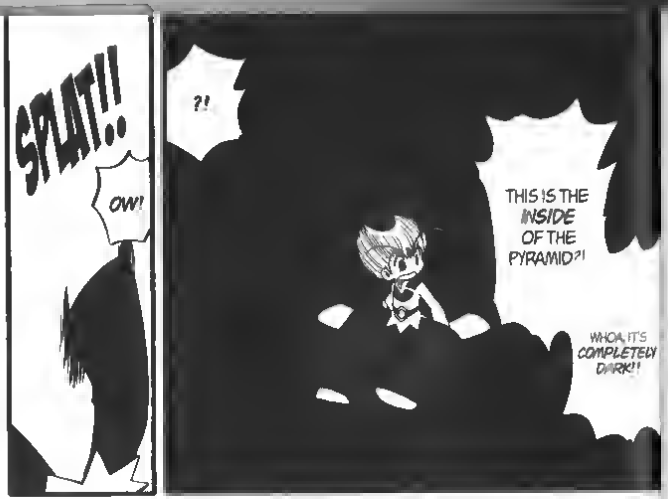
RRANDON!!
...AND THE MEMBERS OF THE PRESS!
WAT, I'M ONE OF THEM TOO...

RUN! ALWAYS GETTING UP AT NIGHT! WHAT DO YOU WANT?! THE CHALLENGE ONLY STARTS IF WE NARROW IA'S DON'T IT?!

I COULDN'T WAIT.
HMPH .. THAT WAS A JOKE OF COURSE
I'M HERE TO GIVE YOU A PIECE OF ADVICE

ADVICE ?
LIGHTS UP!!!

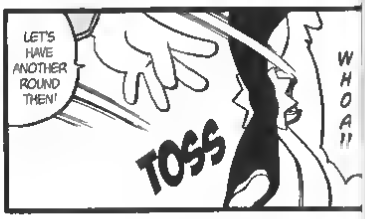
SO WHAT?! BIG FAT HAIRY DEAL!!
WRIGGLE WRIGGLE
JUST LISTEN!
HOW LONG DID YOU TAKE TO COMPLETE..
..THE BATTLE FACTORY AND BATTLE PIKE?
HMM..
I TOOK AROUND 15 HOURS FOR THE FACTORY, AND AROUND 9 HOURS FOR THE PIKE, I THINK?
YEAH. WELL THEN...
GET IN!
TOSS
WHOA!!
PLASH
BEHOLD! THIS IS MY BATTLE PYRAMID!
THE FACILITY THAT TESTS YOUR "BRAVERY"
THIS IS...!!
IMPRESSIVE ISN'T IT?

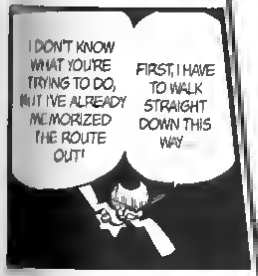

SPLAT!!
OW!
?!
THIS IS THE INSIDE OF THE PYRAMID?!
WHOA, IT'S COMPLETELY DARK!!

RIGHT THEN..
TRY GETTING BACK UP HERE.

OKAY!!
EH?! A DEAD-END?!
MAYBE IT'S THIS WAY?
UH OH...

WHEEZE... FINALLY MADE IT BACK OUT...
GOOD JOB!


LET'S HAVE ANOTHER ROUND THEN!
TOSS
WHOA!!


I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO, BUT I'VE ALREADY MEMORIZED THE ROUTE OUT!
FIRST, I HAVE TO WALK STRAIGHT DOWN THIS WAY...

SPLAT

HUH?! THERE WASN'T A DEAD-END HERE JUST NOW!!
WAHA-HA!!

A MAZE OF DARKNESS THAT CHANGES ITS INTERIOR EACH TIME A PERSON ENTERS IT!

YOU MANAGED TO CLEAR THE FACTORY AND THE PIKE WITHIN HALF A DAY, DIDN'T YOU?
HOW-EVER...

DO YOU GET IT NOW? MY FACILITY THE BATTLE PYRAMID IS A MAZE OF DARKNESS!
WHAT'S MORE, IT'S LIKE A DUNGEON THAT REARRANGES ITS INTERIOR EACH TIME YOU ENTER IT!

NO MATTER HOW GOOD YOU ARE, YOU'D BETTER BE PREPARED TO SPEND MORE THAN 24 HOURS HERE...
...BEFORE YOU CAN EVEN THINK ABOUT GOING UP AGAINST ME, THE FRONTIER BRAIN OF THE PYRAMID!
AND THAT'S MY ADVICE FOR YOU!

M-MORE THAN 24 HOURS?! IS THAT WHY YOU WANTED TO START THE CHALLENGE TONIGHT INSTEAD OF WAITING TILL TOMORROW?!
EXACTLY! BESIDES, IT MAKES NO DIFFERENCE WHETHER WE START DURING THE DAY OR AT NIGHT IT'S PITCH BLACK INSIDE ANYWAY.
THE CHALLENGER CAN BRING ALONG THREE POKÉMON WHEN CHALLENGING THIS FACILITY
HE MUST FIND HIS WAY AROUND THE MAZE WITH HIS POKÉMON, REACH THE EXIT, AND ADVANCE TO THE NEXT FLOOR.
YOU ARE ALLOWED TO EXCHANGE THE POKÉMON YOU HAVE ON HAND AT EVERY SET
EACH SET IS ACHIEVED BY REACHING THE PEAK OF THIS SEVEN-FLOOR PYRAMID!
AND YOU'LL ONLY BE ABLE TO BATTLE AGAINST ME AT THE FINAL FLOOR OF THE 10TH SET!
THAT MEANS HE'D HAVE 70 LEVELS TO PASS THROUGH!
HEH HEH! NEEDLESS TO SAY, YOU WON'T JUST BE TRYING TO FIND YOUR WAY AROUND THE MAZE.
YOU'LL MEET UP WITH VIRTUAL TRAINERS AND WILD POKÉMON IN THE MIDDLE OF YOUR EXPLORATION, SO GET READY TO DO BATTLE!
YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE ALL YOUR ITEMS AND BELONGINGS WITH US BEFORE YOU START
THERE IS NO PLACE IN THE PYRAMID WHERE YOU CAN BRING YOUR POKÉMON TO FOR RECOVERY. INSTEAD..
..WE'VE DROPPED VARIOUS ITEMS ALL AROUND THE PYRAMID.
YOU'RE FREE TO PICK THEM UP AND USE THEM AS YOU PLEASE
I'M.. THOSE CONDITIONS ARE PLAIN HARSH!!
EVEN MORE SO THAN THE BATTLE FACTORY AND THE GRUELING BATTLE PIKE!!
WELL?! ARE YOU STILL UP TO THE CHALLENGE AFTER LISTENING TO ALL THE RULES OF THIS FACILITY?!
YOUR "BRAVERY" IS BEING PUT TO THE TEST RIGHT NOW!!
WHO CARES WHAT I'M BEING TESTED ON! THE WORD "ESCAPE" IS NOT IN MY VOCABULARY!
I'LL DO IT!!
I'LL CHALLENGE THE BATTLE PYRAMID RIGHT AWAY!!

WELL SAID! FORGE BRAVELY ONWARDS WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT!
AN ADVENTURE LIKE NO OTHER AWAITS YOU IN THIS BATTLE PYRAMID!!
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS! CHALLENGER EMERALD HAS MADE HIS DECISION TO BEGIN THE CHALLENGE RIGHT AWAY, IN SPITE OF THE HOUR! PLEASE FEEL FREE TO TAKE AS MANY PICTURES AS YOU WANT!
OOOH
CLICK
CLICK
CLIC
EMERALD, ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS?
ABOUT WHAT?
ABOUT EVERY-THING!!
YOUR CHALLENGE AT THE PIKE WAS FINISHED JUST A FEW HOURS AGO! YOU HAVEN'T HAD TIME TO REST PROPERLY YET!
AND NOW YOU WANT TO TAKE ON THE BATTLE PYRAMID, WHICH MIGHT TAKE AT LEAST 24 HOURS TO CLEAR?! ARE YOU CRAZY?!
P.C
OH WELL, IT'LL ALL WORK OUT SOMEHOW!
OH YEAH, I'D BETTER DECIDE WHICH POKÉMON TO BRING ALONG WITH ME!
LEMME SEE... SINCE I CAN'T TELL WHICH POKÉMON I MIGHT BUMP INTO FIRST..
TAP TAP
LET'S SEE WHAT I CAN COME UP WITH FROM THE INFORMATION JUST NOW...
ALRIGHT, I'VE DECIDED!!
THIS WILL BE MY TEAM!
HEH HEH! IS THAT YOUR TEAM FOR THE FIRST SET?
SEEING AS I'M SUCH A NICE GUY, I'LL LET YOU SEE WHAT KIND OF POKÉMON I'LL BE USING...
POP
POP
POP POP
...TO TAKE ON THE CHALLENGERS!
BOOM

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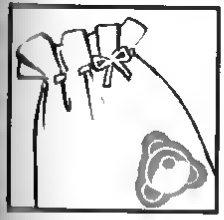
BATTLE PYRAMID PART 2

The Battle Pyramid is the only facility whereby trainers are allowed to use items at their own discretion. Please allow us to give you a slightly more detailed explanation.



■ ABOUT THE TOOLS THAT CAN BE PICKED UP IN THE FACILITY ■

The challenger will be issued a special Battle Bag, which can be used to store the various items that can be found around the Pyramid. At first, it will contain two default items - a "Hyper Potion" and an "Ether". The items that were picked up can be brought into the next set if the challenger makes it to the roof of the Pyramid. If he loses, however, the bag will be reset to contain only the default items.

■ PREDISPOSITIONS OF THE POKÉMON THAT APPEAR AT EVERY SET ■

There will be many Pokémon who can use "Paralyze" on the first set. The Pokémon of the second set are more prone to use "Poison". Those on the third set tend to use "Burn" more often, etc. The tendencies of the Pokémon will change from set to set.

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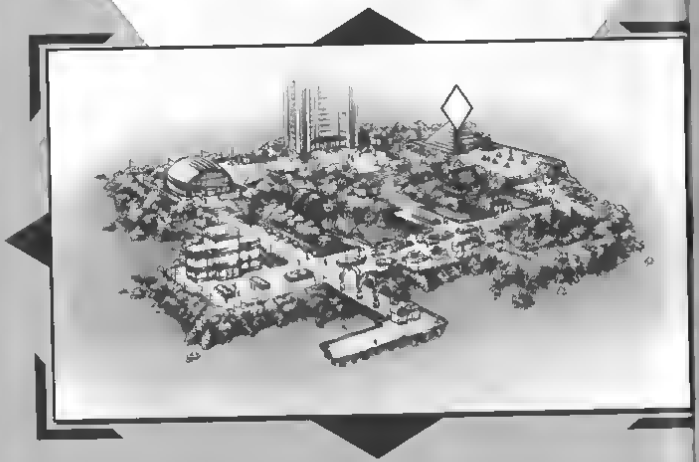
VS. REGIROCK

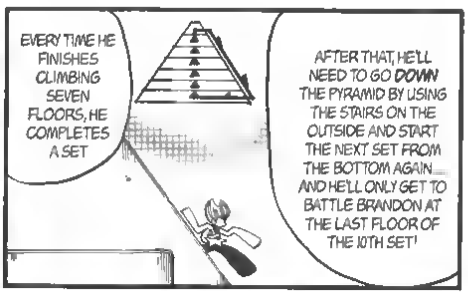


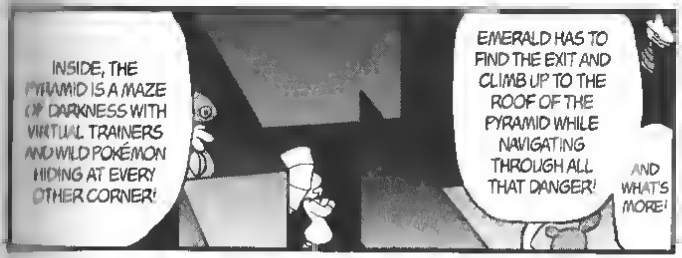
POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

THE THIRD DAY OF THE BATTLE FRONTIER CHALLENGE IS THE MAZE OF DARKNESS, THE BATTLE PYRAMID!
EMERALD STARTED HIS CHALLENGE THE NIGHT BEFORE, AND IT IS NOW NEARLY DAYBREAK!
ONCE HE CLEARS THE SEVENTH FLOOR, HE WOULD HAVE COMPLETED THREE SETS! GO FOR IT, EMERALD!!
LEAVE IT TO ME! WHOA... A WILD POKÉMON!!
GROWL
A HOUN-DOOM!
HUNTER IT, HUNNY!!
"EARTH-QUAKE"!!
BOOM!!
THUMP

SPLAT!
OH! I SEE THE EXIT!
SLIDE
SET THREE, CLEARED!!

WW H I GO, EMERALD !!

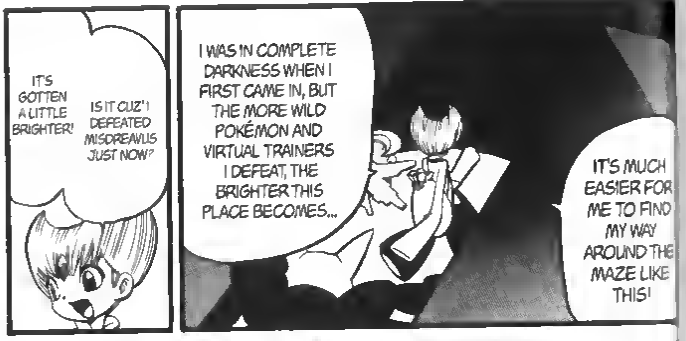

EVERY TIME HE FINISHES CLIMBING SEVEN FLOORS, HE COMPLETES A SET
AFTER THAT, HE'LL NEED TO GO DOWN THE PYRAMID BY USING THE STAIRS ON THE OUTSIDE AND START THE NEXT SET FROM THE BOTTOM AGAIN... AND HE'LL ONLY GET TO BATTLE BRANDON AT THE LAST FLOOR OF THE 10TH SET!


INSIDE, THE PYRAMID IS A MAZE OF DARKNESS WITH VIRTUAL TRAINERS AND WILD POKÉMON HIDING AT EVERY OTHER CORNER!
EMERALD HAS TO FIND THE EXIT AND CLIMB UP TO THE ROOF OF THE PYRAMID WHILE NAVIGATING THROUGH ALL THAT DANGER!
AND WHAT'S MORE!

EACH TIME HE ENTERS THE PYRAMID, THE INTERIOR CHANGES! NOTHING CAN BE MORE GRUELING THAN THIS!

LET'S SEE... WHERE'S THE EXIT...
STARTLE

IT'S ANOTHER WILD POKÉMON!!
SHEDINJA!!
"SHADOW BALL"!!
FLOOSH!
SMACK
PHEW.. THAT WAS SCARY.
YOU'RE TELLING ME! GETTING JUMPED IN THE DARK CAN REALLY GIVE YOU THE HEEBIE-JEEBIES!!
THIS PYRAMID...
...IS A TRUE "TEST OF BRAVERY" IN EVERY SENSE OF THE WORD!
THAT'S RIGHT
AFTER ALL, THE PYRAMID WAS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED FOR THE TOMB OF A REALLY GREAT KING FROM THE PAST!
BRANDON!
BACK THEN, THEY KNEW THAT BANDITS WOULD ALWAYS TRY TO ROB THE GRAVE, THINKING THAT THERE'D BE TREASURE INSIDE...
...SO THEY HAD MANY TRAPS AND MECHANISMS INSTALLED INSIDE THE PYRAMID TO DISCOURAGE THEM FROM SUCH SHENANIGANS.
MY BATTLE PYRAMID IS EXACTLY THE SAME!
THE CHALLENGER WILL BE ATTACKED BY A WHOLE BREW OF ENTRIES...
...WHO WILL QUESTION THE CHALLENGER'S "BRAVERY"...!
GULP
I KNOW WHAT...
THOSE WHO COURAGEOUSLY MANAGE TO SCALE THE PYRAMID WILL ALSO BE DULY REWARDED!
FOOM!


IT'S GOTTEN A LITTLE BRIGHTER!
IS IT CUZ I DEFEATED MISDREAVUS JUST NOW?
I WAS IN COMPLETE DARKNESS WHEN I FIRST CAME IN, BUT THE MORE WILD POKÉMON AND VIRTUAL TRAINERS I DEFEAT, THE BRIGHTER THIS PLACE BECOMES...
IT'S MUCH EASIER FOR ME TO FIND MY WAY AROUND THE MAZE LIKE THIS!

PYRAMID KING BRANDON...
HE'S OUTRAGEOUS IN SPEECH AND CONDUCT, AND EMERALD HAS MADE A FOOL OF HIM ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION, BUT..
..HE STILL WANTS THIS CHALLENGE TO BE FAIR AND SQUARE!

THIS MAN CERTAINLY...
..DESERVES TO BE CALLED A FRONTIER BRAIN!

THOUGH I GUESS IT'S OBVIOUS HE WANTED TO BE FAIR WHEN HE REVEALED THE POKEMON HE HAD ON HAND FROM THE VERY BEGINNING, TOO!
BUT STILL...

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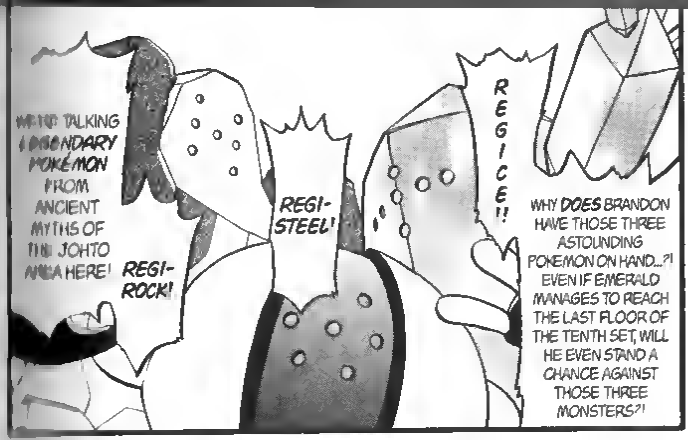
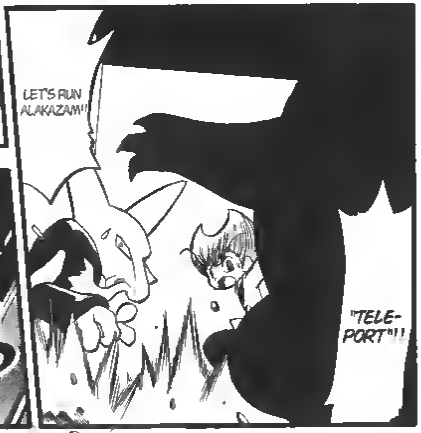
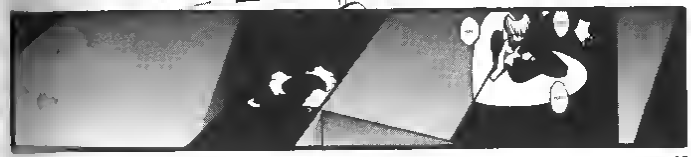
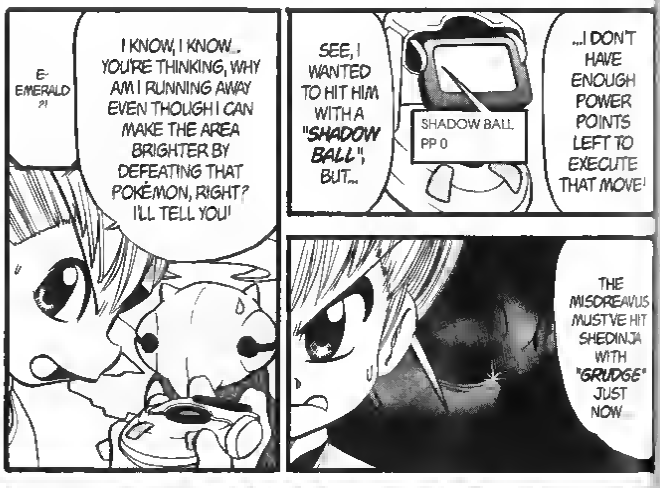

WE'RE TALKING LEGENDARY POKÉMON FROM ANCIENT MYTHS OF THE JOHTO AREA HERE!
REGI-ROCK!
REGI-STEEL!
REGICE!!
WHY DOES BRANDON HAVE THOSE THREE ASTOUNDING POKEMON ON HAND...?! EVEN IF EMERALD MANAGES TO REACH THE LAST FLOOR OF THE TENTH SET, WILL HE EVEN STAND A CHANCE AGAINST THOSE THREE MONSTERS?!

STOMP
STOMP
MUGRRGH!!

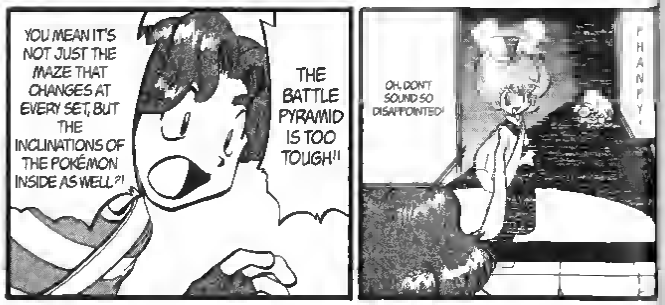

LET'S RUN ALAKAZAM!!
"TELE-PORT"!!

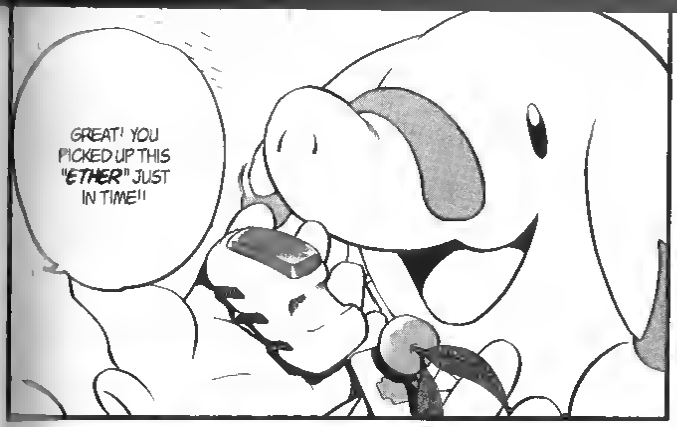
WHOA! EMERALD LOOKS LIKE HE'S IN BIG TROUBLE!!
SPARKLE
SPARKLE

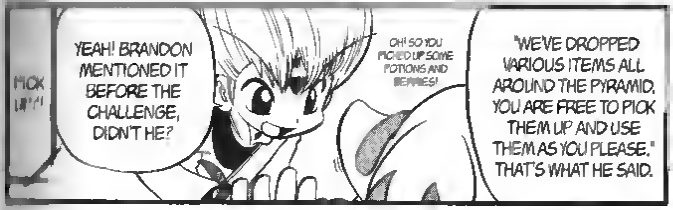


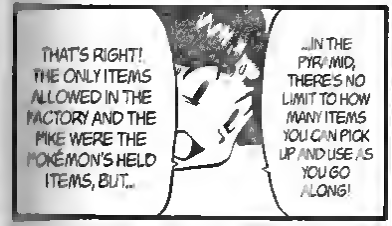

E-EMERALD ?!
I KNOW, I KNOW... YOU'RE THINKING, WHY AM I RUNNING AWAY EVEN THOUGH I CAN MAKE THE AREA BRIGHTER BY DEFEATING THAT POKÉMON, RIGHT? I'LL TELL YOU!
SEE, I WANTED TO HIT HIM WITH A "SHADOW BALL", BUT...
SHADOW BALL PP 0
...I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH POWER POINTS LEFT TO EXECUTE THAT MOVE!
THE MISDREAVUS MUST'VE HIT SHEDINJA WITH "GRUDGE" JUST NOW...

A LOT OF POKÉMON TRIED TO "PARALYZE" MY TEAM DURING THE FIRST SET.
FOR THE SECOND SET, THEY CHANGED TO "POISON"...
...AND FOR THE THIRD SET, "BURN".
AND NOW IT LOOKS LIKE THE THEME OF THE FOURTH SET IS TO "CRIPPLE OPPONENT FROM USING SKILL"!


YOU MEAN IT'S NOT JUST THE MAZE THAT CHANGES AT EVERY SET, BUT THE INCLINATIONS OF THE POKÉMON INSIDE AS WELL?!
THE BATTLE PYRAMID IS TOO TOUGH!!
OH, DON'T SOUND SO DISAPPOINTED!
PHANPY.


GREAT! YOU PICKED UP THIS "ETHER" JUST IN TIME!!

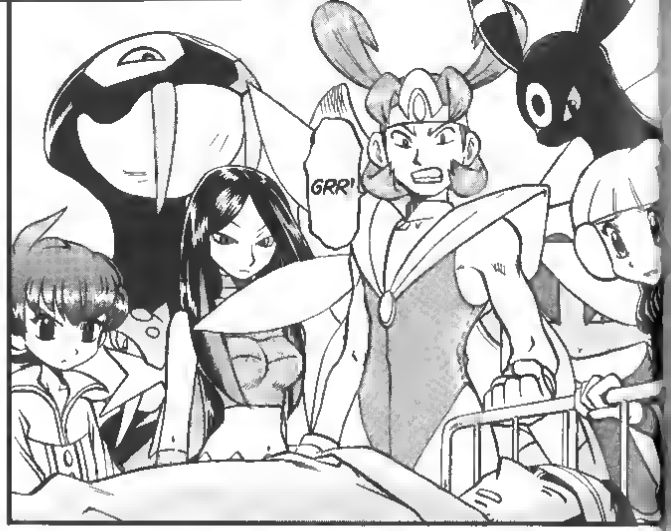

PICK UP"?!
YEAH! BRANDON MENTIONED IT BEFORE THE CHALLENGE, DIDN'T HE?
OH! SO YOU PICKED UP SOME POTIONS AND BERRIES!
"WE'VE DROPPED VARIOUS ITEMS ALL AROUND THE PYRAMID. YOU ARE FREE TO PICK THEM UP AND USE THEM AS YOU PLEASE." THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.


THAT'S RIGHT! THE ONLY ITEMS ALLOWED IN THE FACTORY AND THE MIKE WERE THE POKÉMON'S HELD ITEMS, BUT...
...IN THE PYRAMID, THERE'S NO LIMIT TO HOW MANY ITEMS YOU CAN PICK UP AND USE AS YOU GO ALONG!

EXACTLY! THAT'S WHY I GOT PHANPY TO GO AROUND AND PICK UP AS MANY THINGS AS IT CAN!
LOOK!

THEY EVEN GAVE ME THIS "BATTLE BAG", TO STORE ALL THE ITEMS I'VE FOUND IN THE BATTLE PYRAMID!
PHANPY, MAKE SURE YOU FILL THIS BAG TO THE BRIM FOR ME, OKAY?

OH! THERE'S SOMETHING THERE TOO! LET'S GO PICK IT UP!
LET'S PICK 'EM ALL UP FOR ENERGY SAVING~!
FORGET ABOUT CONQUERING THE PYRAMID..
...AS IT STANDS, IT'S HIGHLY POSSIBLE THAT THIS WHOLE CHALLENGE MAY BE CANCELLED AFTER ALL!
YOU! YOU'RE ONE OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS...
SPENSER!
AND WHAT DO YOU MEAN THAT THIS WHOLE CHALLENGE MAY BE CANCELLED...?!
IS THAT WHY HE CHOSE TO USE THOSE POKÉMON?
PHANPY'S ABILITY IS "PICKUP"... WHICH MAKES IT THE PERFECT CHOICE FOR THE ROLE OF ITEM GATHERER IN A DARK MAZE!
ALAKAZAM IS ABLE TO HELP THE WHOLE TEAM FLEE FROM BATTLE IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES, AS IT IS ABLE TO USE "TELEPORT"..
AND SHEDINJA MUST BE THERE FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION!
IT ONLY HAS ONE HEALTH POINT, SO EMERALD DOESN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT CURING IT!
WE INITIALLY ACCEPTED HIS CHALLENGE AS A PERFORMANCE NOW FOR THE PRESS, BUT..
A RATHER PRESSING SITUATION HAS TURNED UP. AS SUCH, WE NO LONGER HAVE THE TIME TO ENTERTAIN HIS ANTICS
MY APOLOGIES FOR INTERRUPTING YOU WHILE YOU'RE CHEERING YOUR FRIEND ON, BUT I'M AFRAID I NEED YOU TO COME WITH ME.
EMERALD IS UNBELIEVABLY GOOD!
HE HAS THE ABILITY TO COME UP WITH THE BEST PARTY FOR ANY FACILITY AND ANY SITUATION, COME WHAT MAY!
I'M SURE SOMEONE LIKE HIM WILL BE ABLE TO CONQUER THIS BATTLE PYRAMID NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT IT MAY SEEM...
I WOULDN'T BE SO SURE ABOUT THAT.
AT THE BATTLE TOWER..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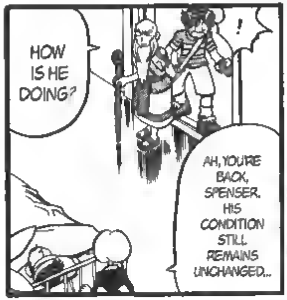
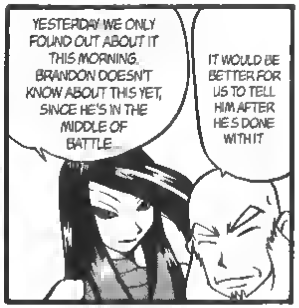
HOW'S IT POSSIBLE THAT NOLAND WAS...


HOW IS HE DOING?
!
AH, YOU'RE BACK, SPENSER. HIS CONDITION STILL REMAINS UNCHANGED...

NOLAND?! W-WHAT'S WRONG WITH HIM?!
CAN'T YOU TELL? SOMEONE ATTACKED HIM AND KNOCKED HIM OUT!

AND THAT PERSON STOLE ALL THE RENTAL POKÉMON IN HIS BATTLE FACTORY AS WELL!
!!!
WHEN?!


YESTERDAY. WE ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT IT THIS MORNING. BRANDON DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS YET, SINCE HE'S IN THE MIDDLE OF BATTLE...
IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR US TO TELL HIM AFTER HE'S DONE WITH IT

HUH... BUT WHO COULD'VE DONE THIS...?!
AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE?!

SURROUND
HUH?

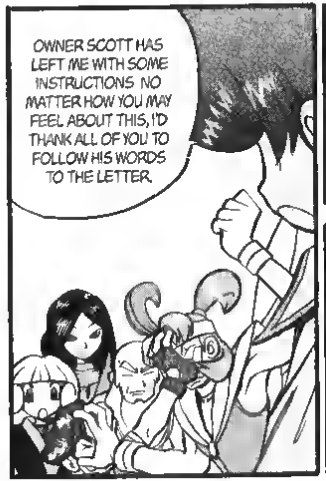
EH? YOU'RE NOT THINKING.. ME? NO, WAIT...
..DON'T TELL ME... EMERALD?!

WHO ELSE COULD IT HAVE BEEN, HMM?!
YOU MUST BE JOKING!!

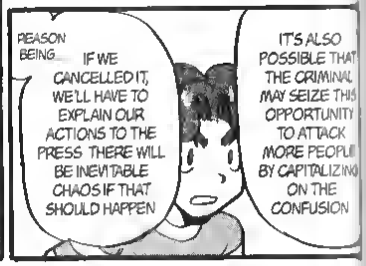
YOU ALL KNOW THAT.
...HE WAS IN THE BATTLE PIKE THE WHOLE OF YESTERDAY, DON'T YOU?!

SURE WE DO! BUT CAN YOU BLAME US FOR SUSPECTING HIM?! HE'S THE ONLY OUTSIDER WHO HAS POKÉMON ON HAND IN THE BATTLE FRONTIER!
BUT THAT'S

QUIET, YOU! DON'T SHOUT IN FRONT OF AN INJURED MAN!!
WAH! WAH!
LOOK WHO'S TALKING!!
WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE, KID! YOU'RE TALKING TO THE DOME ACE TUCKER HERE! OUT WITH IT! WHAT ARE YOU GUYS SCHEMING?!
SILENCE! THE LOT OF YOU!!
GYAH!

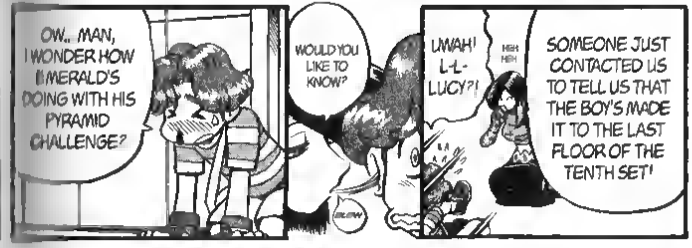

OWNER SCOTT HAS LEFT ME WITH SOME INSTRUCTIONS. NO MATTER HOW YOU MAY FEEL ABOUT THIS, I'D THANK ALL OF YOU TO FOLLOW HIS WORDS TO THE LETTER.

FIRST!
THE BATTLE DEMONSTRATION FOR THE PRESS WILL CONTINUE AS PLANNED.


REASON BEING... IF WE CANCELLED IT, WE'LL HAVE TO EXPLAIN OUR ACTIONS TO THE PRESS. THERE WILL BE INEVITABLE CHAOS IF THAT SHOULD HAPPEN.
IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE THAT THE CRIMINAL MAY SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ATTACK MORE PEOPLE BY CAPITALIZING ON THE CONFUSION.

WE, THE FRONTIER BRAINS, ARE TO DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO CAPTURE THE CRIMINAL WHO DID THIS.
WE MUST WEED HIM OUT BEFORE THE FACILITY IS TO BE OFFICIALLY OPENED TO PUBLIC VISITORS!
THAT IS ALL.

LET'S GET THIS STRAIGHT! I STILL DON'T TRUST THAT EMERALD KID, SO YOU JUST TELL HIM THAT HE'S GONNA GET IT FROM ME WHEN HE COMES TO MY BATTLE DOME!!
SWING
NOW GET LOST!


OW... MAN, I WONDER HOW EMERALD'S DOING WITH HIS PYRAMID CHALLENGE?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW?
GULP!
UWAH! L-L-LUCY?!
HEH HEH
SOMEONE JUST CONTACTED US TO TELL US THAT THE BOY'S MADE IT TO THE LAST FLOOR OF THE TENTH SET!

WELL, WHADDA YA KNOW...
YO!
YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, YOUNG ADVENTURER!
YOU'VE REACHED THE PEAK OF THE BATTLE PYRAMID..
..NOT TO MENTION -
...YOU'VE COLLECTED A HECK OF A LOT OF ITEMS ALONG THE WAY, I SEE..
YEAH! I GOT MY POKÉMON TO "PICKUP" EVERYTHING ALONG ITS PATH!!
I'M GONNA BE GOING UP AGAINST THE LEGENDARY REGIROCK, REGISTEEL AND REGICE AFTER ALL!
THE ONLY STRATEGY I CAN THINK OF IS TO KEEP HANGING ON, WHILE USING THE ITEMS TO CURE MY TEAM AS I GO!
GWAH HAH HAH!! THAT SO?! THEN YOU MUST BE PRETTY AFRAID OF ME, THE PYRAMID KING BRANDON, HUH!!
YUP! THAT I AM, TO TELL YA THE TRUTH...
STILL, I'M DEFINITELY GONNA WIN THIS BATTLE!!

SET 10, ROOF OF THE PYRAMID! THE BATTLE FOR THE SYMBOL OF "BRAVERY"...
...BEGINS NOW!
REGI-ROCK!
"SUPER-POWER"!
SLASH
CK
GRA

HEH! YOU STARTED THE CHALLENGE WITH PHANPY, ALAKAZAM, AND SHEDINJA...
NOW SHOW US WHO YOUR PARTY MEMBERS FOR THE FINAL SET ARE!
THAT SCEPTILE!!
GRRLNNG
WHAT?
PLANT YOUR SEEDS, SCEPTILE!
"LEECH SEED"!
SWIRRL
YES! NOW WE'LL BE ABLE TO LEECH THAT THINGS HEALTH POINTS FOR OURSELVES!

PETTY TRICKS LIKE THAT WON'T WORK ON ME! IT JUST MEANS I'LL HAVE TO KNOCK YOUR POKEMON OUT WITH A SINGLE ATTACK!
GRAB
CRACK
BEHOLD THE POWER OF THE ANCIENTS!
KA-BOOM
"EXPLOSION" !!
BOOM

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Thank you for being here to cover the opening of the Battle Frontier facility!

Please allow us to continue explaining the rules of the facilities.

SCOTT

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE ARENA PART 1

BATTLE MODE	POKÉMON ALLOWED	OBTAINABLE SYMBOL	REQUIREMENT FOR SYMBOL ACQUISITION
SINGLE	THREE	GUTS	EIGHT SETS OF SEVEN PEOPLE EACH + 66 VICTORIES

In the Battle Arena, the challenger must win a series of battles without changing the sequence of the party he brings along. Each Pokémon will battle one other Pokémon in a three-on-three and if no knock out occurs after three turns, an umpire will evaluate the battle and assign scores to the Pokéman. Pokemon are scored on their "mind" "skill" and "body" based on a three-tier assessment. "O" means two points, "△" means one point and "X" means zero points. The Pokémon with the highest total score will be declared the winner.

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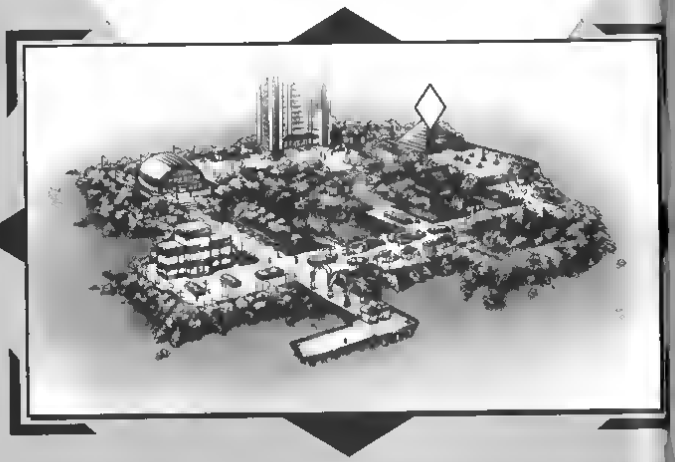
VS. REGICE



POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD

"EXPLOSION" IS A SKILL THAT INFLICTS SEVERE DAMAGE ON ITS OPPONENT, BUT MAKES THE USER FAINT...
GEE, HOW CHILDISH CAN YOU GET?!
THIS IS A SHOWDOWN, BRAT! YOU WON'T FIND ME CHICKENING OUT OF A WIN!!
THE SAME GOES FOR REGISTEEL AND REGICE!
ARE YOU "BRAVE" ENOUGH TO KEEP COMING AT ME..
...IN THE FACE OF THIS HARSH REALITY?!

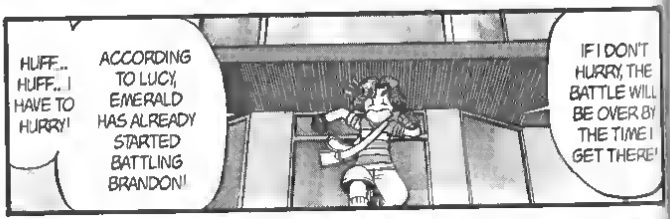
GLOW
DWAHH!!
BANG CRASH
SO IT'S GONNA BE REGISTEEL THIS TIME, HUH?
SCEPTILE, CUBONE, AND HITMONCHAN...
THOSE ARE YOUR FINAL PARTY MEMBERS, I SEE..
BOOM
BOOM
SCEPTILE, YOU MOVE TO A CORNER FIRST!
AFTER THAT

DASH
IT'S COUNTER-ATTACK TIME!!
BAM
BAM
BAM
THUD
BASH
SCEPTILE MAY BE DOWN, BUT IT'S STILL A TWO-ON-TWO!
WE'LL TURN THE TABLES BY PRESSING THEM HARD!!
FWOOSH

CRUNCH
CRUNCH
"SKY UPPER-CUT"!!
RUMBLE
YES!!
?!
COLLAPSE
WHAT'S WRONG ?!

WHEEZE
WHEEZE
IT'S "TOXIC"!
REGISTEEL MUST'VE USED IT WHEN HITMONCHAN WAS FURIOUSLY ATTACKING IT JUST NOW!
OH NO!! I NEED AN ANTIDOTE! OR A PECHA BERRY!!
ACK! I'D COLLECTED A LOT OF ITEMS, BUT NONE OF THEM CAN BE USED!
THINK
WAAH!!
JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT YOU'D TURNED THE TABLES BY ELIMINATING REGISTEEL FROM THE BATTLE, EH?
NOW WE'RE TIED AGAIN, ONE-ON-ONE!
YOU HAVE A CUBONE LEFT...
ARE YOU SURE THAT POKÉMON HA WHAT IT TAK TO GO UP AGAINST M REGICE...!

WH... AM!
CRACK
SEE? IT'S IN A TIGHT SPOT ALREADY !!
HMM...
WHAT THE... WHAT'S THAT?!


HUFF... HUFF... I HAVE TO HURRY!
ACCORDING TO LUCY, EMERALD HAS ALREADY STARTED BATTLING BRANDON!
IF I DON'T HURRY, THE BATTLE WILL BE OVER BY THE TIME I GET THERE!

OH MAN! THE TOWER IS SO FAR AWAY FROM THE PYRAMID!
IS THERE A SHORTCUT OR SOMETHING?!
BUMP
WAH!

I-I'M SORRY!
HUH? YOU'RE A REPORTER TOO..?
IF YOU DON'T HURRY, YOU'RE GOING TO MISS THE MATCH...

WU!

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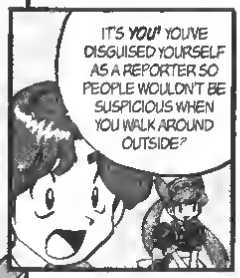
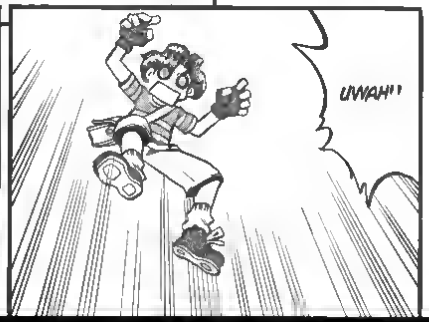

IT'S YOU! YOU'VE DISGUISED YOURSELF AS A REPORTER SO PEOPLE WOULDN'T BE SUSPICIOUS WHEN YOU WALK AROUND OUTSIDE?

COME ON, WE'VE GOTTA HURRY!
WAIT!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO ALL THE WAY TO THE BATTLE PYRAMID IF YOU JUST WANT TO SEE WHAT'S GOING ON THERE

STRETCH

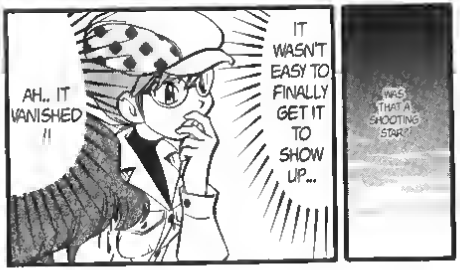

UWAH!!

T-T-THE PYRAMID'S RIGHT B-B-BELOW US..?!
AM... AM I FLYING?!
DON'T WORRY, YOU'RE NOT REALLY FLYING. WE HAVEN'T MOVED FROM WHERE WE WERE AT THE BATTLE TOWER AT ALL. WHAT WE'RE SEEING IS LATIOS' THOUGHTS.
HE'S CIRCLING THE TOP OF THE PYRAMID AT THE MOMENT. LATIOS IS ABLE TO STORE WHAT HE SEES, HEARS, AND FEELS INTO HIS "THOUGHTS" AND SEND THEM OVER TO ME, SO THAT WE CAN SEE WHAT HE'S SEEING.
THEN .. THIS IS REALLY THE BATTLE PYRAMID...
WHERE'S EMERALD?!
OH NO! HE'S BEING COMPLETELY OVER WHELMED!

AND THAT POKÉMON OVER THERE... SCEPTILE!!
THAT'S THE RENTAL POKÉMON SCEPTILE THAT HE BROUGHT OUT FROM THE BATTLE FACTORY IN THE COURSE OF EVENTS!
IF HE'S USING THAT SCEPTILE, WHICH IS OVER LEVEL 50.. THAT MEANS HE MUST BE PARTICIPATING IN THE OPEN LEVEL CATEGORY...?
EH? WAIT A SEC..
AND THAT PERSON STOLE ALL THE RENTAL POKÉMON..
..IN NOLAND'S BATTLE FACTORY AS WELL!
NOOOOO!! THIS IS NOT GOOD ..!! IF THEY SHOULD FIND OUT ABOUT THIS..
EMERALD IS USING A POKÉMON FROM THE BATTLE FACTORY.
HE MUST HAVE STOLEN IT.
HE MUST BE THE ONE WHO ATTACKED NOLAND!!
THIS IS TERRIBLE!! HE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO CLEAR HIS NAME AT THIS RATE!!
CALM DOWN! THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE WE SHOULD BE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT AT THIS MOMENT!!

OVER THERE!
FADE
FADE
EH?!

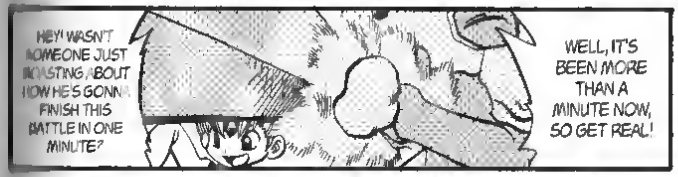
FLICKER

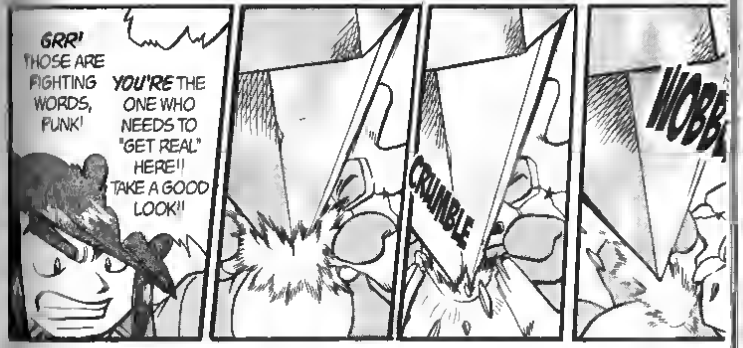

AH.. IT VANISHED !!
IT WASN'T EASY TO FINALLY GET IT TO SHOW UP...
WAS THAT A SHOOTING STAR?

IT VANISHED!
WHAT WAS THAT FLASH OF LIGHT JUST NOW?

HEY YOU!!!

STOP SPACING OUT AND CONCENTRATE ON THE BATTLE!!
OOPS! MY BAD!

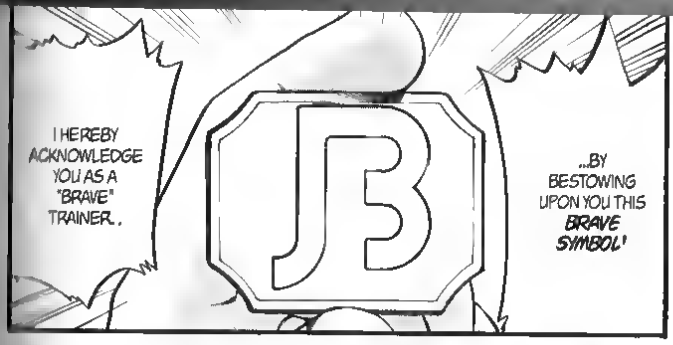

HEY! WASN'T SOMEONE JUST BOASTING ABOUT HOW HE'S GONNA FINISH THIS BATTLE IN ONE MINUTE?
WELL, IT'S BEEN MORE THAN A MINUTE NOW, SO GET REAL!

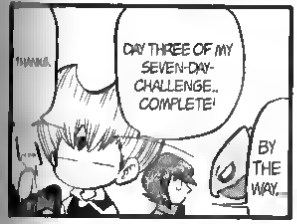

GRR! THOSE ARE FIGHTING WORDS, PUNK!
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO NEEDS TO "GET REAL" HERE!! TAKE A GOOD LOOK!!
CRUMBLE
WOBB

THUD
WAH HAH HAH !!
YOUR SCEPTILE, HITMONCHAN AND CUBONE HAVE ALL BEEN KNOCKED OUT!
RRWMMMBLL
RRWMMMBLL
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS IS AS FAR AS YOU CAN G..
WHAT THE HECK?!

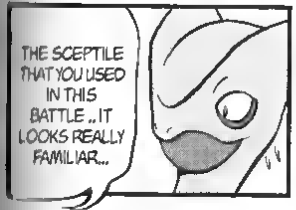
REGICE'S DOWN?! WHY?! HOW DID THIS HAPPEN??!
!!
YOU!! YOU'RE THE SCEPTILE THAT SHOULD'VE BEEN...
..KNOCKED OUT COLD!!
YOU DEFEATED MY REGICE WITH YOUR "IRON TAIL"?!
BUT...
TELL ME HOW YOU BROUGHT IT BACK TO LIFE!!
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING SPECIAL!
I JUST USED THIS!

A.. A "REVIVE"..?
YUP! IF ONE OF YOUR POKÉMON WAS ON THE VERGE OF DEATH, YOU'D NATURALLY GIVE IT A "REVIVE", WOULDN'T YA?
I'M BATTLING AGAINST THREE LEGENDARY POKÉMON, Y'KNOW! I HAD TO BE READY FOR A FIGHT TO THE DEATH!
DUMP
I MANAGED TO GATHER 99 "REVIVE" SEEDS WHILE WANDERING AROUND THE PYRAMID!
NOT BAD, EH!
AFTER THAT, WHILE YOU WERE DISTRACTED BY THE FLASH OF LIGHT IN THE SKY, I SECRETLY USED A "REVIVE" ON SCEPTILE.
I GOT LUCKY BECAUSE OF THAT SUDDEN FLASH OF LIGHT! I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO USE THAT "REVIVE" WITHOUT YOU NOTICING OTHERWISE!
I SEE... I SHOULD'VE KNOWN SOMETHING WAS UP WHEN I SAW THAT YOU DIDN'T RETURN THE SCEPTILE BACK TO THE POKÉBALL..
WAH HAH HAH HAH!!
YOU'D CERTAINLY NEED A TON OF "BRAVE" TO EXECUTE A PLAN LIKE THAT!!
YOU WERE REALLY PREPARED TO DIE FOR THIS BATTLE, WEREN'T YOU?
HMM? WELL, I WAS TRYING TO BAIT YOU AT FIRST. I WAS WONDERING IF I COULD GET YA TO USE "EXPLOSION"...
IF YOU HAD USED THAT, I WOULDVE AT LEAST BEEN ABLE TO DRAW WITH YOUR REGIROCK!


I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AS A "BRAVE" TRAINER..
..BY BESTOWING UPON YOU THIS BRAVE SYMBOL!


DAY THREE OF MY SEVEN-DAY-CHALLENGE.. COMPLETE!
BY THE WAY...

OH! I TOOK IT OUT FROM THE...
WAY TO GO EMERALD!! CONGRATULATIONS!!
FLAP
FLAP


THE SCEPTILE THAT YOU USED IN THIS BATTLE.. IT LOOKS REALLY FAMILIAR...

OH! WHERE'D YOU GO JUST NOW?
DON'T ASK! AH, BRANDON! SORRY FOR INTERRUPTING, BUT I NEED TO TALK TO HIM URGENTLY ABOUT SOMETHING, SO PLEASE EXCUSE US!
OH, OKAY...

WHAT'S THE RUSH?
SHUT UP! YOU MUSN'T ANSWER THAT QUESTION JUST NOW!

HOLD IT RIGHT THERE.

YOU MAY BE ABLE TO HOODWINK BRANDON, BUT NOT I, ANABEL!

CHALLENGER EMERALD! WHERE DID YOU GET THAT SCEPTILE FROM?

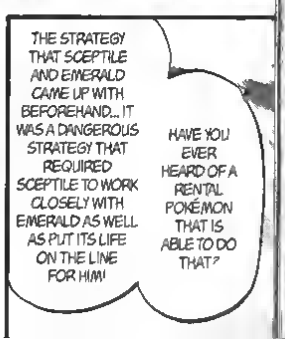
DON'T TELL THEM THE TRUTH, EMERALD! CAN'T YOU FEEL THE TENSION IN THE AIR?!

I GOT IT FROM THE BATTLE FACTORY!

THAT DOES IT! WE'RE GONNA HAND YOU OVER TO THE POLICE FOR STEALING OUR RENTAL POKÉMON!
HEY, HOLD YOUR HORSES!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, BUT
I DON'T THINK THAT SCEPTILE IS A RENTAL POKÉMON!
TMP TMP

COME AGAIN, BRANDON?!
IT'S THE IMPRESSION I GOT FROM MY BATTLE AGAINST HIM JUST NOW!


THE STRATEGY THAT SCEPTILE AND EMERALD CAME UP WITH BEFOREHAND... IT WAS A DANGEROUS STRATEGY THAT REQUIRED SCEPTILE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH EMERALD AS WELL AS PUT ITS LIFE ON THE LINE FOR HIM!
HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF A RENTAL POKÉMON THAT IS ABLE TO DO THAT?

AT THE VERY LEAST, I CAN TELL THAT SCEPTILE BATTLED WITH COMPLETE TRUST IN EMERALD!
BRANDON'S TAKING EMERALD'S SIDE!!
EMERALD
SOMEONE IS HAVING DESIGNS ON THE BATTLE FRONTIER AT THE MOMENT.
IF YOU TRULY WANT TO PROVE YOUR INNOCENCE..
..YOU MUST TELL US EVERY-THING YOU KNOW!
SURE THING!
BUT... WHAT SHOULD I START WITH...?
I KNOW!
FLICK
INFO
SOUND
NO.201
JIRACHI WISH POKEMON
HEIGHT 0.3M
WEIGHT 1.1KG
SAID TO BE ABLE TO GRANT A PERSON ANY WISH HE DESIRES, IF ONE SINGS TO IT WITH A PURE VOICE. IT WILL AWAKEN FROM ITS THOUSAND YEAR SLUMBER
FIRST OFF, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS!
THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI!
IT APPEARED FOR A WHILE ABOVE THE BATTLE PYRAMID JUST NOW!

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Thank you for being here to cover the opening of the Battle Frontier facility!

Please allow us to continue explaining the rules of the facilities

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SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE ARENA PART 2

After the assessment the Pokémon deemed to have lost will no longer be able to do battle even if it still has health points left. It will be exchanged with the next Pokémon. In the event of a draw, both Pokémon will have to be switched out. If a draw occurs when both sides are on their last Pokémon, then the challenger is deemed to have lost.

■ ASSESSMENT CRITERIA ■

MIND 心 ➡ **BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF OFFENSIVE SKILLS**

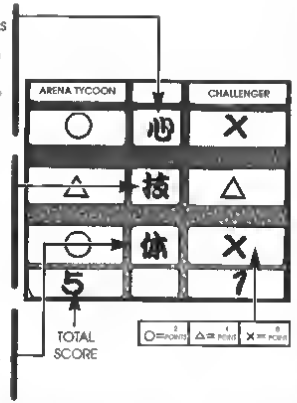
The more attacks the Pokémon uses, the better its "mind" score. On the other hand, any defense skills will cause its score to dip. Attack moves that the Pokémon attempts to use while being "Paralyzed" are counted as well, even if the Pokémon may not actually be able to execute it.

SKILL 技 ➡ **BASED ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE SKILLS**

When your Pokémon executes a skill and it is judged to have a "Good Effect", its "skill" score will increase. "Not Good" and "No Effect" will lower its score. If its skill misses or the opponent blocks it with "Protect", the score will remain unchanged.

BODY 体 ➡ **BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF VITALITY REMAINING**

The fuller health a Pokémon loses during the course of a battle, the higher its score in this regard.



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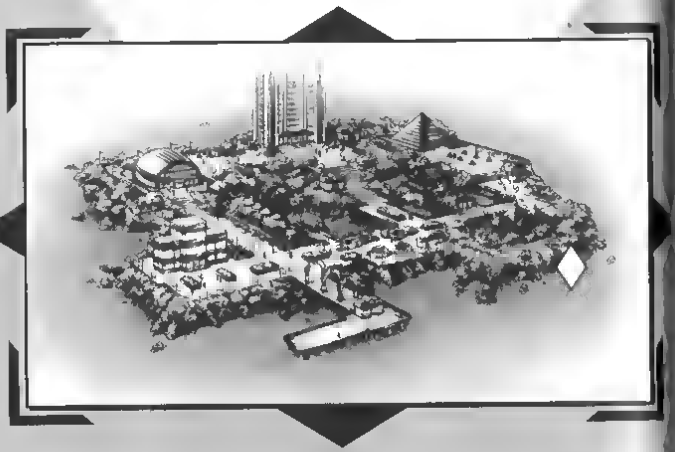

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COME ON, EVERY-BODY!!
PUTT PUTT PUTT
FOLLOW ME!!
PUTT PUTT PUTT
PUTT
OOPS
WAAAAAH!! A WATERFALL!!
SHAAA
SPLASH!
WE ARE CURRENTLY OUT AT SEA.
EMERALD'S TAKING THE LEAD, WITH THE FRONTIER BRAINS FOLLOWING CLOSELY BEHIND...
HOW DID ALL THIS COME ABOUT? WELL...

FIRST OFF, TAKE A LOOK AT THIS!
THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI!
IT APPEARED FOR A WHILE ABOVE THE BATTLE PYRAMID JUST NOW!
NO.201 JIRACHI
WISH POKÉMON
HEIGHT 0.3m
WEIGHT 1.1KG
SAID TO BE ABLE TO GRANT A PERSON'S WISH IF ONE SINGS TO IT WITH A PURE HEART. IT WILL AWAKEN FROM ITS THOUSAND-YEAR SLUMBER.

A PHANTOM POKÉMON...
...JIRACHI?!

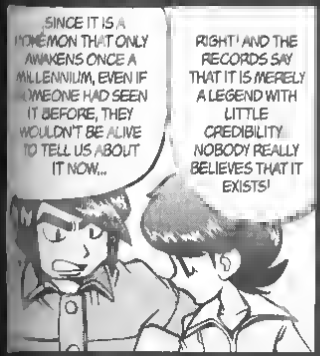
WHAT IN THE WORLD?
I'VE NEVER HEARD OR SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT BEFORE!
YOU AND YOUR NONSENSE AGAIN!!
WAIT!!

I'VE HEARD ABOUT IT BEFORE...
THIS "JIRACHI"...

YOU KNOW ABOUT IT, ANABEL?!
YEAH... IT'S AN ULTRA RARE POKÉMON THAT ONLY WAKES UP ONCE IN A THOUSAND
YUP!
IT'S CALLED A WISH POKÉMON, AND...
...IT'S SAID THAT JIRACHI CAN GRANT THE PERSON WHO CAPTURES IT ANY WISH HE OR SHE WANTS!

ANY WISH I WANT?! YOU MUST BE LYING...
KLONK
WATCH YOUR MOUTH, TUCKER! OR ARE YOU CALLING ANABEL A LIAR?

I'M SORRY, ANABEL. I SPENSE IT!
WELL I DID SEE A FLASH OF LIGHT ABOVE THE BATTLE PYRAMID JUST NOW. BUT...

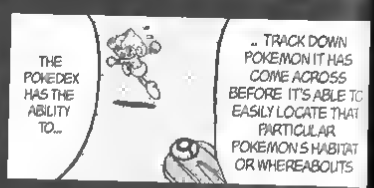

SINCE IT IS A POKÉMON THAT ONLY AWAKENS ONCE A MILLENNIUM, EVEN IF SOMEONE HAD SEEN IT BEFORE, THEY WOULDN'T BE ALIVE TO TELL US ABOUT IT NOW...
RIGHT! AND THE RECORDS SAY THAT IT IS MERELY A LEGEND WITH LITTLE CREDIBILITY. NOBODY REALLY BELIEVES THAT IT EXISTS!

BUT IT MIGHT EXIST, RIGHT? THAT IS... ASSUMING THAT EMERALD'S TELLING THE TRUTH...
YOU STILL DON'T BELIEVE ME?!

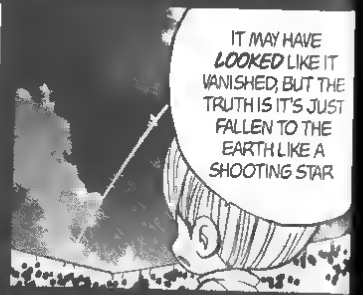
I BELIEVE YOU
YOU WERE ABLE TO CAPTURE DATA ABOUT JIRACHI ON THAT DEVICE OF YOURS AFTER ALL...

A POKÉDEX!
IT'S A DEVICE THAT AUTOMATICALLY SAVES THE ECOLOGICAL DATA ABOUT POKÉMON YOU HAVE CAPTURED OR MET BEFORE.
AM I RIGHT?

...
YOU'RE PRETTY INFORMED.


THE POKEDEX HAS THE ABILITY TO...
.. TRACK DOWN POKÉMON IT HAS COME ACROSS BEFORE. IT'S ABLE TO EASILY LOCATE THAT PARTICULAR POKÉMON'S HABITAT OR WHEREABOUTS.

WELL, THAT ONLY WORKS ON REGULAR POKÉMON, THAT IS.
THE POKEDEX'S TRACKING ABILITY DOESN'T REALLY WORK ON A "PHANTOM" POKÉMON LIKE JIRACHI!
THEN... HOW DO YOU INTEND TO GO AFTER THE JIRACHI THAT HAS DISAPPEARED?


IT MAY HAVE LOOKED LIKE IT VANISHED, BUT THE TRUTH IS IT'S JUST FALLEN TO THE EARTH LIKE A SHOOTING STAR

RIGHT AROUND..
...THAT AREA THERE!

WHICH IS WHY I HAVE TO GO CAPTURE IT BEFORE IT DISAPPEARS AGAIN!
DASH
LATER!!

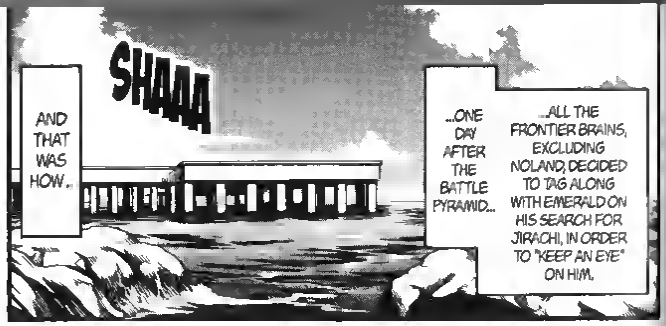
WAIT WAIT WAIT WAIT WAIT!
GRAB
HRUGH!

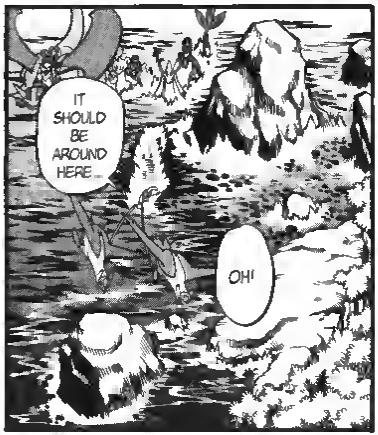
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "LATER"?!
ARE YOU SAYING THE REASON WHY YOU CHALLENGED THE BATTLE FRONTIER WAS TO HIDE YOUR REAL MOTIVE? TO CAPTURE JIRACHI?!
I NEVER SAID THAT?

CONQUERING THE BATTLE FRONTIER'S MY HOBBY, Y'SEE..

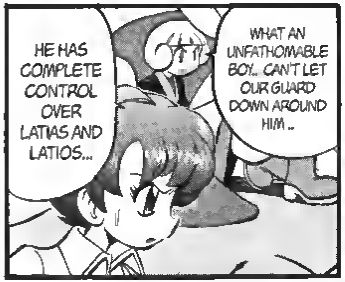
...AND CAPTURING JIRACHI'S MY JOB!

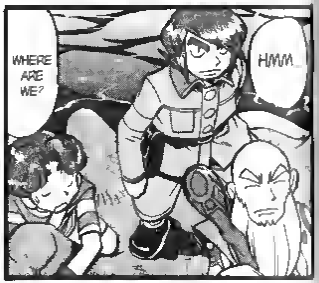
?
IN OTHER WORDS, THE TIME FRAME FOR MY HOBBY AND MY JOB JUST HAPPENED TO COINCIDE, THAT'S ALL
COINCIDE
YEAH!
THEY SAY THAT IT AWAKENS ONCE EVERY THOUSAND YEARS, BUT...
...TO BE PRECISE, IT AWAKENS FOR SEVEN DAYS ONCE EVERY THOUSAND YEARS!
JIRACHI I MEAN...
WHAT?! YOU DON'T MEAN...!!
YUP!
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
THE SEVEN DAYS THAT JIRACHI AWAKENS FROM ITS THOUSAND YEAR SLUMBER COINCIDES WITH THE SEVEN-DAY OPENING CEREMONY OF THE BATTLE FRONTIER!
AND THE ONLY WAY I CAN DO BOTH IS TO DO THEM AT THE SAME TIME!
ENOUGH!! AREN'T WE SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR THE CRIMINAL WHO ATTACKED NOLAND? NOW'S NOT THE TIME FOR US TO BE TALKING ABOUT SOME BIZARRE PHANTOM POKÉMON!
WAIT, TUCKER! THEY MAY BE RELATED FOR ALL WE KNOW!
WHAT?
THE PHANTOM SENTENCE THAT CAN GRANT ANY WISHES...
IF THAT POKÉMON AWAKENS DURING THE OPENING CEREMONY AND LOITERS AROUND THE BATTLE FRONTIER,
THEN IT'S ENTIRELY POSSIBLE THAT THERE MAY BE A BAD GUY LURKING IN THE FRONTIER, LOOKING FOR A CHANCE TO CAPTURE IT!
THAT'S RIGHT! THAT'S RIGHT!
HEY, YOU'RE A LOT SMARTER THAN YOU LOO---
WHACK
DON'T PUSH YOUR LUCK!!
NEED I REMIND YOU THAT YOU'RE STILL UNDER SUSPICION? YOU COULD VERY WELL BE THE BAD GUY I WAS TALKING ABOUT
GEE, YOU SURE ARE PARANOID.
WELL, IN THAT CASE WHY DON'T YOU GUYS JUST KEEP AN EYE ON ME THEN?


SHAAA
AND THAT WAS HOW..
..ONE DAY AFTER THE BATTLE PYRAMID..
..ALL THE FRONTIER BRAINS, EXCLUDING NOLAND, DECIDED TO TAG ALONG WITH EMERALD ON HIS SEARCH FOR JIRACHI, IN ORDER TO "KEEP AN EYE" ON HIM.

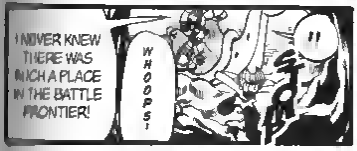

IT SHOULD BE AROUND HERE..
OH!

THIS MUST BE IT!
LATIAS, LATIOS, STOP!!


HE HAS COMPLETE CONTROL OVER LATIAS AND LATIOS...
WHAT AN UNFATHOMABLE BOY.. CAN'T LET OUR GUARD DOWN AROUND HIM..


WHERE ARE WE?
HMM..

AT "ARTISAN CAVE"!


I NEVER KNEW THERE WAS SUCH A PLACE IN THE BATTLE FRONTIER!
WHOOPS!

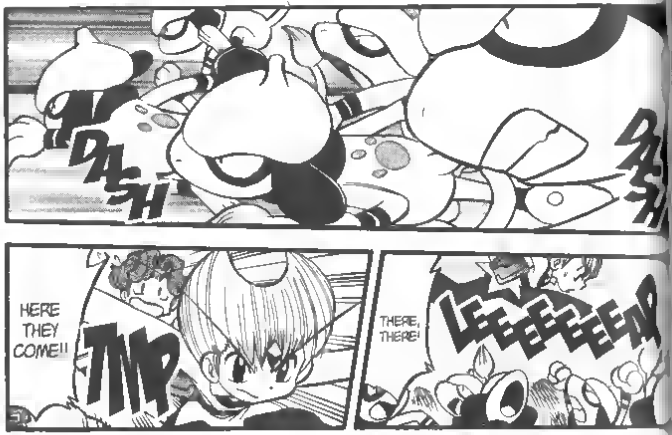
D-DON'T JUST GO IN LIKE THAT!!
BUT I'M RACING AGAINST TIME!

I STILL HAVE TO TAKE ON...
..ONE OF THEIR FACILITIES AFTER THIS!
EEH?!

CAN A PHANTOM POKÉMON REALLY BE CAPTURED SO EASILY?
YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS MINE I MUST SAY THOUGH.. THIS CAVE ISN'T A VERY PLEASANT PLACE AT ALL..

SWARM
AFTER ALL..
SWARM

IT IS WELL KNOWN THAT ANY TRESPASSERS..
...WILL BE SEVERELY DEALT WITH BY THE SMEARGLE POPULATION HERE.


DASH
HERE THEY COME!!
TMP
THERE, THERE!
LEEEEEEEEEP

TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
DON'T MIND US!
WE'RE JUST PASSING THROUGH.
THAT'S ALL!
SCUSE ME!
?!
EMERALD? YOU'RE NOT GOING TO USE YOUR USUAL WEAPON?
THAT PUPPET THING THAT CAN CALM ANY RAMPAGING POKÉMON DOWN INSTANTLY..
..BY SHOOTING BULLETS MADE FROM THE SOIL OF THEIR HOME-TOWN?

...
IT'S NOT THE POKÉMON THAT I LIKE...
...IT'S THE POKÉMON BATTLES!!
I'M STARTING TO UNDER STAND.
...EMERALD BETTER NOW
HE SAYS THAT HE LIKES "POKÉMON BATTLES", BUT...
...IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT HE'LL TAKE ON ANYTHING THAT CROSSES HIS PATH!
THE POKÉMON THAT APPEAR DUE TO THE RULES OF EACH FACILITY...
THE VIRTUAL TRAINERS AND THEIR POKÉMON..
...AND THE POKÉMON THAT THE FRONTIER BRAINS USE.

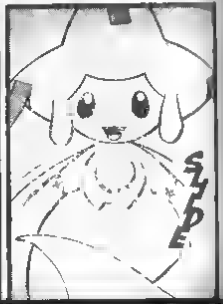
HE'S BEEN DOING BATTLE WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF A FRAMEWORK ALL THIS TIME!
HE'S JUST SOMEONE WHO PURELY ENJOYS POKÉMON BATTLES AS A SPORT!
THAT'S RIGHT! HE ONLY USED THAT WEAPON WHEN THE POKÉMON TURNED VICIOUS!
ONLY WHEN A POKÉMON LOSES CONTROL OF ITSELF AND GOES AGAINST THE RULES OF THE BATTLE DOES HE WHIP THAT WEAPON OUT TO CALM THEM DOWN!
THAT'S WHY HE'S NOT USING IT HERE!
THE SMEARGLES ARE ATTACKING ON INSTINCT, SO THERE IS NO WAY HE CAN BRING THEM BACK TO THEIR SENSES, SO TO SPEAK!
GO!
HAH!
I AIN'T GONNA FIGHT YA NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS!
CUZ WILD BATTLES WITHOUT RULES...
...DON'T INTEREST ME!!

HE'S ALREADY SO DEEP INTO THE CAVE...
THE FRONTIER BRAINS ARE HAVING A HARD TIME TRYING TO EVEN WARD OFF THE SMEARGLES' ATTACK!
BUT I'M A REPORTER...! WHEN THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI GETS CAUGHT, I JUST HAVE TO BE THERE TO CAPTURE THAT MOMENT ON FILM! I NEED TO CATCH UP WITH HIM FAST!
ALL RIGHT!
STOMP
I'LL TAKE MY CHANCES WITH THE WALL!!
WAAAH!!
BAM
?
!!!
YOU TWO..!!
AREN'T YOU THE SUDOWOODO I ACCIDENTALLY WATERED ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE OPENING CEREMONY?!
AND YOU... THE DUSCLOPS WHO WAS IN THE 134TH ROOM OF THE BATTLE PIKE?!
EMERALD SHOULD'VE RETURNED THE BOTH OF YOU TO THE WILD...
DON'T TELL ME...
...YOU GUYS ARE SO FOND OF EMERALD THAT YOU FOLLOWED HIM HERE...?!
NOD!
THUD THUD THUD
TOOK YOU GUYS LONG ENOUGH! YOU'VE NOT KEEPING AN EYE ON ME AT ALL LIKE THIS YNNOW...
IT LOOKS LIKE WE'VE ARRIVED AT OUR DESTINATION!

JIRACHI!

WRIGGLE

SLIP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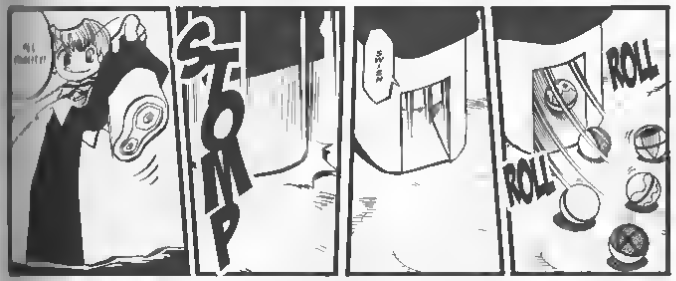
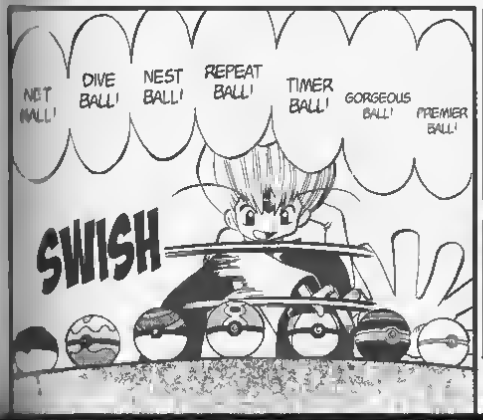
IT'S SO BRIGHT! WHAT IS THIS?!
THAT'S THE PHANTOM POKÉMON, JIRACHI!


STOMP
ROLL
ROLL


NET BALL!
DIVE BALL!
NEST BALL!
REPEAT BALL!
TIMER BALL!
GORGEOUS BALL!
PREMIER BALL!
SWISH

WHICH ONE SHOULD I USE.. CRYSTAL?

WHO'S HE TALKING TO?

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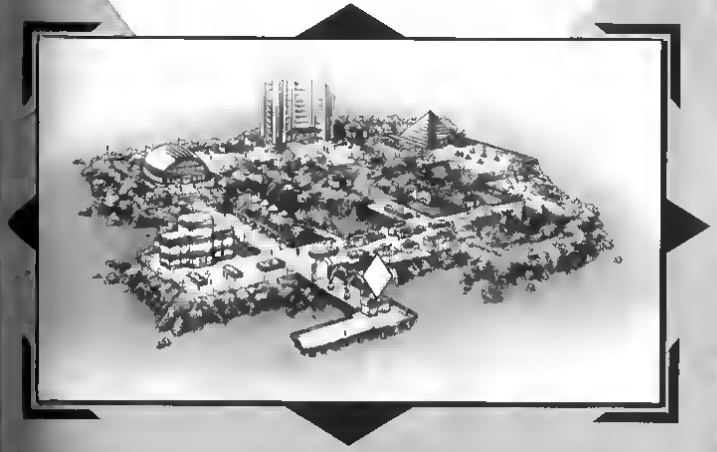
VS. SURSKIT I



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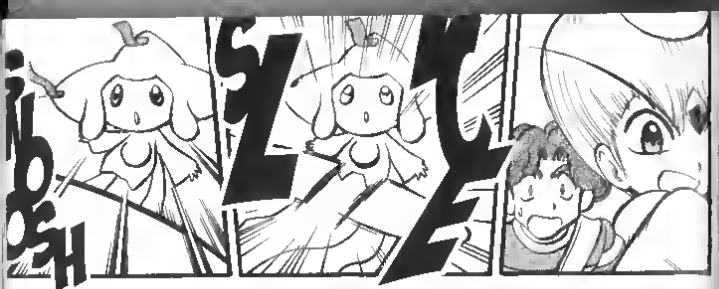
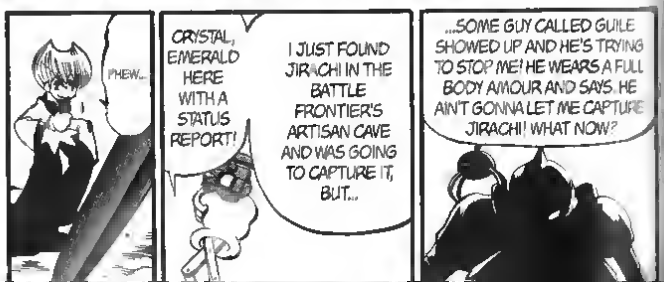
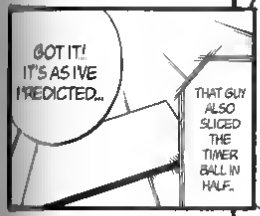
OH...YES...!
...IS THE REAL...
...JIRACHI!
CLANG
I'VE FOUND YOU...
CLANG
...AT LAST.. HEH HEH! SO THIS...
CLANG
YOU ARE THE "STAR" THAT WILL GRANT ME MY WISHES! COME TO ME!
GUILE?!
EMERALD, DO YOU KNOW WHO THAT GUY IS?!
YEAH... I DO!
HE'S A BAD GUY WHO'S TRYING TO CAPTURE JIRACHI!
BUT I WON'T LET HIM GET HIS WAY! BECAUSE IF HE CAPTURES JIRACHI...
FLIP
BASH
...I'LL BE OUTTA BUSINESS!!
SO THERE!!
COME TO GUILE!!

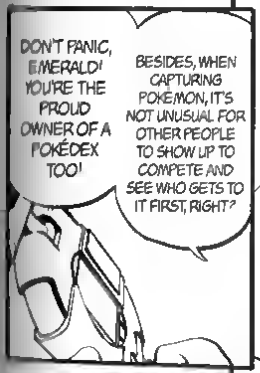

SLICE

THUNK
KLAK

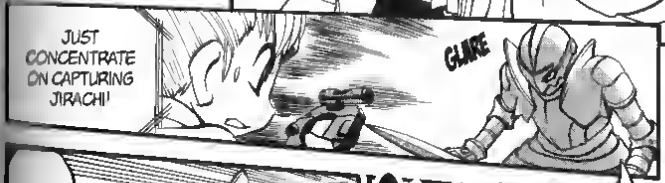
YOU SHALL NOT...
...CAPTURE JIRACHI.


PHEW...
CRYSTAL, EMERALD HERE WITH A STATUS REPORT!
I JUST FOUND JIRACHI IN THE BATTLE FRONTIER'S ARTISAN CAVE AND WAS GOING TO CAPTURE IT, BUT...
...SOME GUY CALLED GUILE SHOWED UP AND HE'S TRYING TO STOP ME! HE WEARS A FULL BODY ARMOUR AND SAYS HE AIN'T GONNA LET ME CAPTURE JIRACHI! WHAT NOW?


GOT IT! IT'S AS I'VE PREDICTED...
THAT GUY ALSO SLICED THE TIMER BALL IN HALF..


DON'T PANIC, EMERALD! YOU'RE THE PROUD OWNER OF A POKÉDEX TOO!
BESIDES, WHEN CAPTURING POKÉMON, IT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO SHOW UP TO COMPETE AND SEE WHO GETS TO IT FIRST, RIGHT?

I WILL SAY THIS MUCH, HOWEVER...
...YOU MUSTN'T THINK ABOUT BATTLING NOW!


JUST CONCENTRATE ON CAPTURING JIRACHI!
GLARE

YOU SHALL NOT...
SWING
SLASH
...CAPTURE JIRACHI!!

CLICK
I HEAR YA, CRYSTAL!
I AIN'T INTERESTED IN "FIGHTS"! I ONLY DO "BATTLES"!
FLOAT
RIGHT NOW, I SHOULD BE GOING AFTER JIRACHI!
DASH
JIRACHI! JIRACHI!

CLANG
CRUMBLE
OH NO YOU DON'T!
POP
POP POP
BOOM

ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
THIS IS...!!

EMERALD! DO YOU STILL HAVE THE HITMONCHAN AND CUBONE I SENT TO YOU FOR THE BATTLE PYRAMID ON HAND?

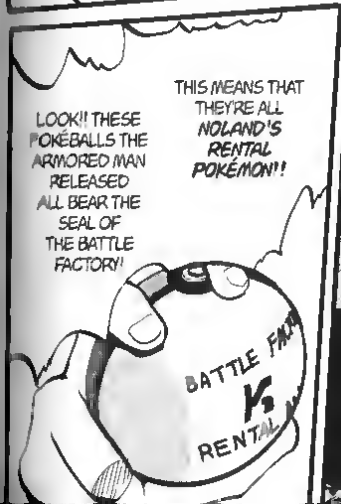
THOSE TWO WERE REALLY RELIABLE, CRISTIN!
AS EXPECTED FROM POKÉMON THAT'S BEEN TRAINED BY YOU.

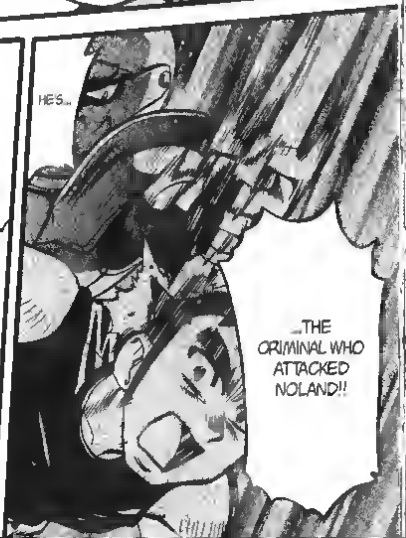
THEY'RE NOT JUST HELPFUL IN BATTLES, BUT GOOD FOR CAPTURING POKÉMON AS WELL!
LOOK AT YOUR POKÉDEX!

HITMONCHAN IS ABLE TO STRIKE FIRST WITH ITS "MACH PUNCH", AND CUBONE HAS "FALSE SWIPE"!
USE THE TWO OF THEM TO TRY TO STOP JIRACHI FROM MOVING AROUND FIRST!

GOTCHA.
GRIP
WAH!!
WHAT DO YA WANT?! STOP PULLING ME!!
NOT A CHANCE!

I HEARD YOU MUMBLING TO YOURSELF ABOUT HOW YOU'RE GOING TO CONCENTRATE ON CAPTURING THAT POKÉMON AND NOT BATTLE AGAINST THE ENEMY?!
HAVE YOU NO "FIGHTING SPIRIT" IN YOU?!

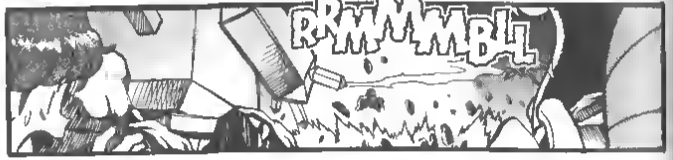

LOOK!! THESE POKÉBALLS THE ARMORED MAN RELEASED ALL BEAR THE SEAL OF THE BATTLE FACTORY!
THIS MEANS THAT THEY'RE ALL NOLAND'S RENTAL POKÉMON!!
BATTLE FACTORY
RENTAL


HE'S...
...THE CRIMINAL WHO ATTACKED NOLAND!!

NOLAND STILL LIES UNCONSCIOUS AT THE MOMENT!!
WE, THE SEVEN FRONTIER BRAINS, ARE COMRADES WHO HAVE WORKED HARD TO MAKE THE BATTLE FRONTIER A SUCCESS.. TO HAVE SOMEONE LAY HARM UPON ONE OF US AND THEN SHOW UP BEFORE US...
FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED...
..THAT MATTERS MORE THAN CAPTURING SOME RANDOM PHANTOM POKÉMON!!
..
TSK..!! I'M GOING TO HAVE IT OUT WITH HIM!
JUMP
I'LL BRING HIM DOWN AND AVENGE NOLAND!!
THAT'S RIGHT!
YOU SAID IT!!

IT'S TIME I SHOW YOU THE BATTLE "TACTICS" OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS!
IN THE NAME OF "BRAVERY" AND THE STRONGEST WARRIORS OF BATTLE FRONTIER..
..THE "SPIRIT" OF RIGHTEOUSNESS SHALL BE UPON YOU!
WE'LL TEAR THAT OMINOUS ARMOR OF YOURS APART! WHETHER YOU CAN ESCAPE FROM US WILL DEPEND ON YOUR "LUCK"!
CHARIZARD! "FIRE BLAST"!!
SWISH
CROBAT! "AIR CUTTER"!!
ROAR
FWI
HISSS
BA
MAGICE! "BLIZZARD"!!
SEVIPER! "SLUDGE BOMB"!!

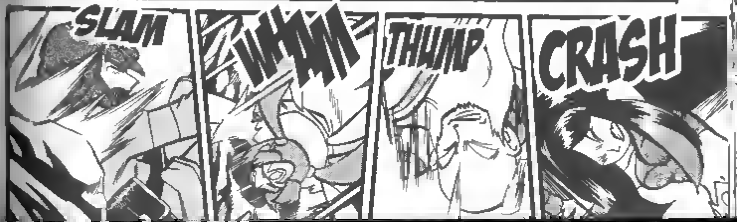
BAM
AH
GH


RRMMMBLL

GLARE

SWING

BOOM

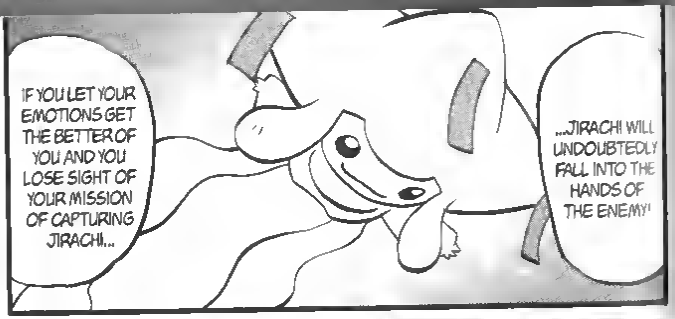

SLAM
WHAM
THUMP
CRASH

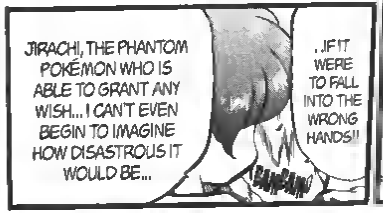
THAT'S SOME STRONG ARMOR HE'S GOT!
HOW WAS HE ABLE TO ESCAPE UNSCATHED AFTER BEING ATTACKED BY SO MANY POWERFUL MOVES AT ONCE?!
HE EVEN MANAGED TO REBOUND THE ENERGY DIRECTED AT HIM BACK AT THE FRONTIER BRAINS, KNOCKING THEM ALL OUT!
GUH!!
HMPH!
SWARM
UMBREON!!
BAM
BAM
BAM
'DOUBLE TEAM'!

BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
CRYSTAL, ARE YA SURE ABOUT THIS?
THINGS ARE GETTING RATHER IFFY ON MY SIDE, BUT..
..I JUST HAVE TO KEEP GOING AFTER JIRACHI, RIGHT?

THAT'S RIGHT.
I'LL SAY IT AGAIN!
YOUR MISSION THIS MOMENT IS TO CONCENTRATE ON CAPTURING JIRACHI!!

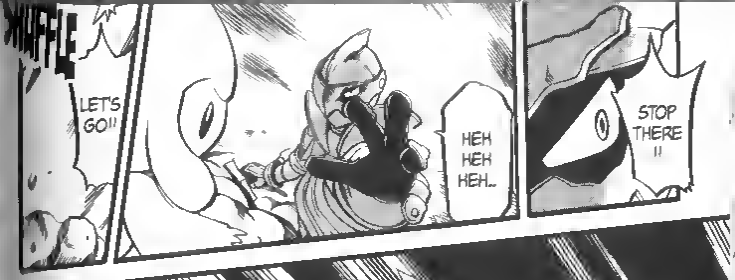
OVER AND OUT!
BZZZZ
SUCH WONDERFUL COMPOSURE!
WONDERFUL!
THE PERSON GIVING YOU INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE SOMEONE WITH CONSIDERABLE EXPERIENCE, I'M SURE...


IF YOU LET YOUR EMOTIONS GET THE BETTER OF YOU AND YOU LOSE SIGHT OF YOUR MISSION OF CAPTURING JIRACHI...
...JIRACHI WILL UNDOUBTEDLY FALL INTO THE HANDS OF THE ENEMY!


JIRACHI, THE PHANTOM POKÉMON WHO IS ABLE TO GRANT ANY WISH... I CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO IMAGINE HOW DISASTROUS IT WOULD BE...
...IF IT WERE TO FALL INTO THE WRONG HANDS!!
BAM BAM!

I SUPPOSE THE FRONTIER BRAINS...
...ARE STILL TOO NAIVE WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO THAT!

LET'S SPLIT UP AND DIVIDE OUR ROLES PROPERLY.
YOU GO AFTER JIRACHI, I, ANABEL...
...WILL BATTLE AGAINST THE ARMORED MAN!
BOOM
WHAT SAY YOU!


SHUFFLE
LET'S GO!!
HEH HEH HEH..
STOP THERE!!

GUILE, RIGHT?
I BEAR THE TITLE "MAIDEN"... MY NAME IS SALON MAIDEN ANABEL!!
AS THE MANAGER OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS, I HEREBY PRONOUNCE JUDGMENT UPON YOU!

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VS. SURSKIT II

I BEAR THE TITLE "MAIDEN"... MY NAME IS SALON MAIDEN ANABEL!!
AS THE MANAGER OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS, I HEREBY PRONOUNCE JUDGMENT UPON YOU!
ANABEL'S JOINING THE BATTLE AS WELL!
SHE INTENDS TO DO AWAY WITH GUILE!
CRACK
"THUNDER-SHOCK"!!
SCRK SCRK
CRACKLE CRACKLE

STOMP
"THUNDER-SHOCK"!!
IT'S THE SKILL WITH THE WEAKEST EFFECT AMONGST ALL THE ELECTRIC-TYPE SKILLS!
HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF ITS WEAK EFFECT, IT IS ALSO EASY TO CONTROL!
I AM USING THIS SKILL
...TO CREATE AN ELECTRICAL JAIL THAT'LL TRAP HIM WITHIN!
CRACKLE CRACKLE
CRACKLE
DON'T MOVE IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE ELECTROCUTED!
DRIP
AND NOW...
WHIFF WHIFF
WHIFF WHIFF
THAT'S...A THUNDER-CLOUD?!
INDEED.
YOU USUALLY CAN'T USE WEATHER-BASED ATTACKS UNLESS CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE FIRST MET. MOST POKEMON CAN ONLY USE "THUNDER" OUTDOORS, WHEN THERE ARE THUNDERCLOUDS GATHERING IN THE SKY, RIGHT?
BUT THIS GUY IS DIFFERENT!
AFTER ALL, IT CARRIES ITS OWN THUNDER CLOUDS AROUND!
THAT MEANS HE CAN USE THE SKILL BOTH OUT-DOORS...
...AND INSIDE A CAVE!!
CRASH

THAT WAS A VERY POWERFUL ATTACK..
WHAT POKÉMON IS THIS..?
YOU DON'T KNOW?
THIS IS THE THUNDER POKÉMON, RAIKOU!
A LEGENDARY POKÉMON THAT WAS FOUND IN THE JOHTO AREA!
SHE'S GOOD! GUILE CAN'T MOVE BECAUSE OF HER ATTACKS! HOW DID SHE BECOME SO POWERFUL?!
HMPH! TRUE STRENGTH NEEDS NO REASON. THE STRONG ARE BORN STRONG...
I BELIEVE PEOPLE CALL THAT "TALENT".
NOW, EMERALD!!
OKAY! I'LL USE THIS CHANCE TO...
BOOM
-CAPTURE JIRACHI-

HITMONCHAN AND CUBONE!
THEY'RE THE POKÉMON THAT EMERALD USED IN THE BATTLE PYRAMID!
LET'S SEE YOU GUYS DO YOUR STUFF AS POKÉMON THAT ARE SPECIALLY TRAINED FOR CAPTURING!
STOP JIRACHI FROM MOVING WITHOUT HARMING IT!
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
"MACH PUNCH"!!
CRUNCH
THAT'S..?
THWIRL
THWIRL
IT'S LIKE NUN-CHUCKS MADE OF BONES! WHAT DOES HE INTEND TO DO WITH THAT..?!

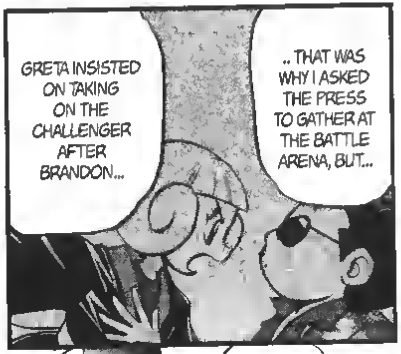
FLAIL
SWITCH
YOU DID IT!
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
THEY REALLY STOPPED JIRACHI FROM MOVING WITHOUT HARMING IT AT ALL, JUST LIKE YOU TOLD THEM TO! AND NOW...
YUP! NOW I JUST HAVE TO PUT IT IN A POKEBALL!
I WAS PRETTY SURE THAT A PHANTOM POKEMON WOULD GIVE ME A RUN FOR MY MONEY..
CLANG
STOMP
...THAT'S WHY I CHOSE A TIMER BALL, THINKING IT WOULD BECOME A LONG-DRAWN-OUT BATTLE!

NOW IT SEEMS LIKE ANY POKÉBALL SHOULD DO THE TRICK, BUT...!
ROLL
ROLL
IN ORDER TO MAKE JIRACHI EASIER TO HANDLE AFTER CAPTURING IT...
KNOCK
...LET'S GO WITH THE GORGEOUS BALL!!
WHOOSH
AIM FOR THE SPOT WHERE THE POKÉMON'S VITAL ENERGY IS GATHERED!
ACCORDING TO WHAT CRYSTAL TAUGHT ME, THAT SPOT SHOULD BE..
...THE LINE AT THE STOMACH!!

FZZAAADAGH
FSS
SSS
SSSSH
HE DID IT!!

AT THE BATTLE ARENA
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS.
..PLEASE! JUST WAIT FOR A LITTLE WHILE MORE!

SHEESH, WHEN ARE THE FRONTIER BRAINS AND THE CHALLENGER...
VOOM
..GOING TO COME BACK?


GRETA INSISTED ON TAKING ON THE CHALLENGER AFTER BRANDON...
..THAT WAS WHY I ASKED THE PRESS TO GATHER AT THE BATTLE ARENA, BUT...

...
AFTER ALL, THEY'RE GOING UP AGAINST THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI..
..AH, GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.
..AND THE BIG CROOK WHO'S AFTER IT!

YOU DID IT, EMERALD!!
ANABEL STILL HAS THAT GUILE GUY TRAPPED...
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
AT LEAST THE POKÉMON THAT'S ABLE TO GRANT ANY WISH WON'T FALL INTO THE WRONG HANDS NOW!
...
?
EMERALD, WHAT'S WRONG?
STRANGE...
...WHAT'S THIS?
JIRACHI HAS BEEN COMPLETELY SUCKED INTO THE BALL, AND..
...I JUST NEED THE BALL TO CLAMP SHUT, BUT...
DON'T TELL ME..."
I CAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE!
"PSYBEAM"!!
GUILE'S SURSKIT IS USING "PSYBEAM" TO STOP THE BALL FROM CLOSING!!
CRACK
SNAP
AAH!!
BANG
WHOOAA!!
ROAR

SLAM
I WON'T LET YOU..
INTERRUPT ME ANYMORE!
IMPOSSIBLE
RAIKOU!!
GROWL
WHAT'S THE...?
STUCK
WHEN DID THIS PLACE GET FLOODED?!
WHAT IS THIS?! IT'S SO STICKY I CAN'T MOVE!!

THE SINGLE DROP THAT THE SURSKIT RELEASED JUST NOW HAS GROWN INTO A BIG PUDDLE!!
SURSKIT ALSO PUT SOME OF ITS HIGH DENSITY "NECTAR" INSIDE, TURNING IT AS STICKY AS GLUE!
BEGONE!
GET LOST!
MEET YOUR DOOM!!
DIE LIKE THE...
...WORTHLESS TRASH YOU ARE!!
FIRE
BOOM

STRUGGLE STRUGGLE STRUGGLE STRUGGLE
DUSCLOPS!
SQUARTLE!
SQUARTLE!
IT'S THE THREE POKEMON THAT EMERALD SET FREE, BUT FOLLOWED HIM HERE BECAUSE THEY WERE FOND OF HIM!
THEY'RE PROTECTING HIM!!
SWISH
JIRACHI...
SWISH

IT VANISHED!
NO!!
CLENCH
AFTER ALL THAT EFFORT!!
I WAS SO CLOSE...!!
OH WELL.
I STILL HAVE FOUR MORE DAYS..
I HOPE YOU ALL UNDERSTAND BY NOW, HOW BENEATH ME YOU ARE...
FAREWELL, GARBAGE! THE NEXT TIME WE MEET...
..WILL BE THE DAY WHEN I, GUILE HIDEOUT, BECOME MASTER OF THIS WORLD!!
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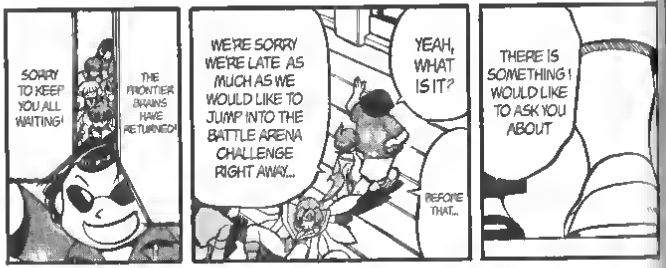
SORRY TO KEEP YOU ALL WAITING!
THE FRONTIER BRAINS HAVE RETURNED!
WE'RE SORRY WE'RE LATE AS MUCH AS WE WOULD LIKE TO JUMP INTO THE BATTLE ARENA CHALLENGE RIGHT AWAY...
YEAH, WHAT IS IT?
BEFORE THAT...
THERE IS SOMETHING I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU ABOUT

DEAR MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

Thonk you for being here to cover the opening of the Battle Frontier facility!

Please allow us to continue explaining the rules of the facilities.

SCOTT

SUPPLEMENTARY RULES OF EACH FACILITY

BATTLE DOME PART 1

BATTLE MODE	POKÉMON ALLOWED	OBTAINABLE SYMBOL	REQUIREMENT FOR SYMBOL ACQUISITION
SINGLE DOUBLE	THREE	TACTICS	TEN SETS OF VICTORIES (ARE CONSECUTIVE WINS)

In the Battle Dome you take part in a 16-trainer tournament. Participants will choose two Pokémon from among the three they bring along. Before the battle, participants are required to reveal information about their Pokémon by using a card. When reading an opponent's card, it should contain the following information:
(1) Pokémon on hand
(2) The strength of the party (ranking)
(3) The tactics the opponent is good in
(4) The statistics the Pokémon was specially trained in
You will have to battle for four rounds in order to win a championship. One championship is considered one set.

DOME ACE TUCKER

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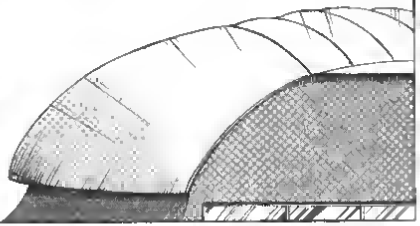

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VS. SHEDINJA

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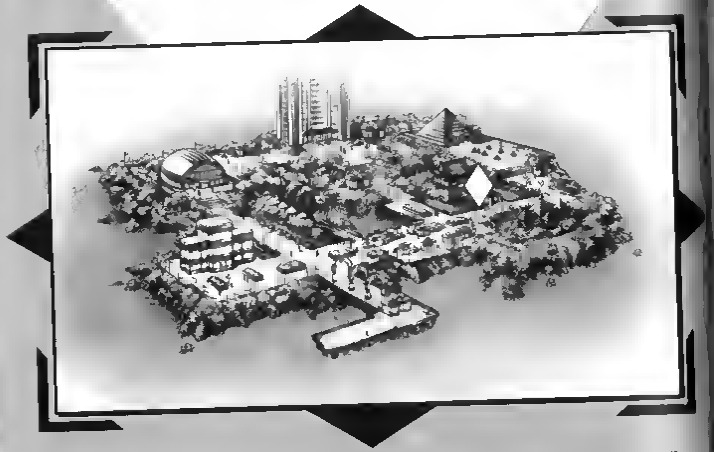
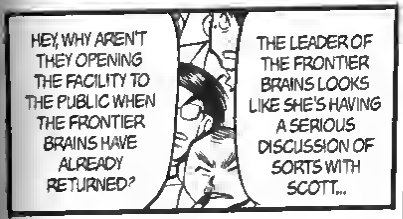
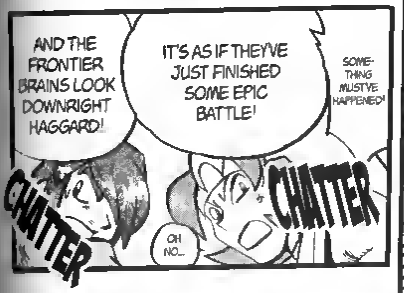


POCKET MONSTER SPECIAL THE SIXTH CHAPTER EMERALD


HEY, WHY AREN'T THEY OPENING THE FACILITY TO THE PUBLIC WHEN THE FRONTIER BRAINS HAVE ALREADY RETURNED?
THE LEADER OF THE FRONTIER BRAINS LOOKS LIKE SHE'S HAVING A SERIOUS DISCUSSION OF SORTS WITH SCOTT...



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HAVE NO FEAR, PEOPLE!
THE FRONTIER BRAINS HAVE BEEN DOING THEIR POKÉMON TRAINING TOGETHER JUST NOW..
...IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO BATTLE GLORIOUSLY BEFORE YOUR VERY EYES!
WE WERE SO ENGROSSED THAT WE LOST TRACK OF TIME AND COMPLETELY FORGOT ABOUT GROOMING OURSELVES!
WE SINCERELY APOLOGIZE FOR BEING SO INDECOROUS
HOWEVER! OUR TRAINING HAS YIELDED RESULTS THAT WILL DOUBTLESSLY SATISFY ALL OF YOU!
...T THAT'S RIGHT!
PLEASE, STEP RIGHT IN, EVERY BODY!
AS WE'VE ANNOUNCED, GRETA WILL BE TAKING ON THE CHALLENGER TODAY, AND BOY DOES SHE PACK A PUNCH!
BANG
CHALLENGE!! EMERALD.

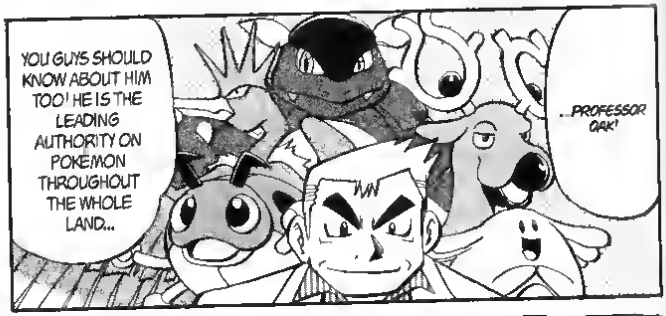
...WILL DO BATTLE AGAINST ARENA TYCOON GRETA TODAY!
IT'S NON-STOP POKÉMON BATTLING TIME!!
THANKS TO TUCKER AND GRETA'S QUICK THINKING, THE REPORTERS DIDN'T PRESS THE ISSUE THIS TIME..
BUT ANABEL AND SCOTT ARE STILL..

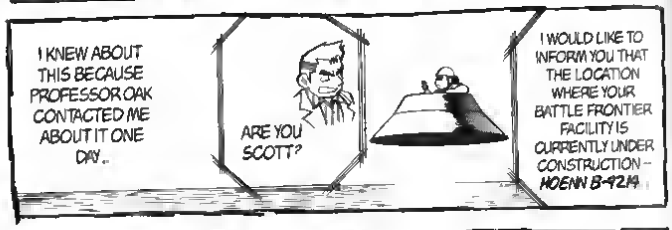
OWNER...
PLEASE ANSWER THE QUESTION!
HMM... YOU ASKED IF I WAS JUST ACTING LIKE I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING..
...EVEN THOUGH I ACTUALLY KNEW EVERYTHING?
YOU ARE...
...ABSOLUTELY RIGHT!!
HOWEVER DID YOU FIGURE IT OUT, ANABEL?
I-I JUST HAD A FEELING...!! THERE'S NO OTHER REASON!
OH, YOU!
BUT THEN AGAIN...
IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T SEEM SURPRISED WHEN WE TOLD YOU WE WERE GOING TO ARTISAN CAVE, NOR WERE YOU SHOCKED THAT WE CAME BACK INJURED!
DIDN'T SEEM SURPRISED?
AND IT LOOKS LIKE MY HUNCH WAS RIGHT! WHY, SCOTT?!

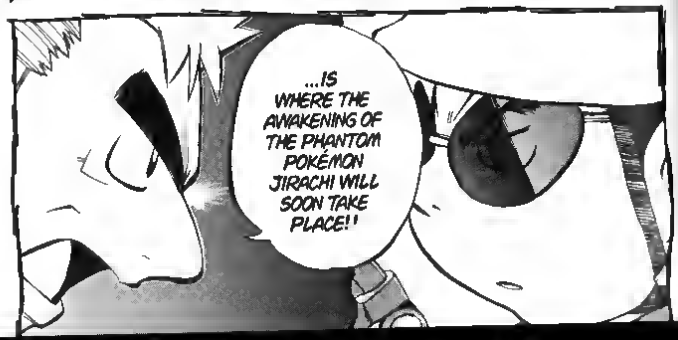
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?
I DID IT BECAUSE I WANTED YOU GUYS TO GET STRONGER!

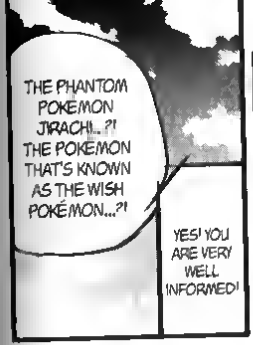
BUT SCOTT...
THAT'S RIGHT! GET STRONGER!
IT ALL STARTED...
CLASSIFIED
...WITH THIS REPORT.
THIS IS A COMPILATION OF STORIES ABOUT JIRACHI PASSED DOWN FROM ONE THOUSAND YEARS AGO - THE LAST TIME IT WAS EVER SEEN BY ANYONE!
IT CONTAINS DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT JIRACHI, FROM ITS AWAKENING TO ITS SLUMBER.
ADDITIONALLY, THOSE PEOPLE EVEN SPOKE ABOUT THE LOCATION OF JIRACHI'S NEXT AWAKENING!

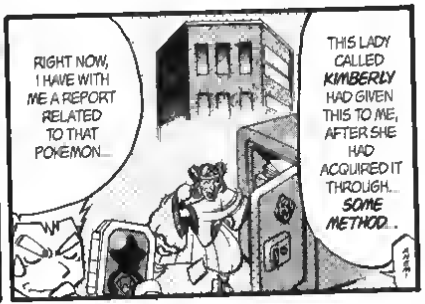
STORIES ABOUT JIRACHI PASSED DOWN FROM ONE THOUSAND YEARS AGO..?!
INDEED!
A CERTAIN PROFESSOR THEN ANALYZED THE CONTENTS OF THIS REPORT AND WAS ABLE TO PINPOINT THE EXACT DAY OF JIRACHI'S AWAKENING!


YOU GUYS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT HIM TOO! HE IS THE LEADING AUTHORITY ON POKÉMON THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE LAND...
...PROFESSOR OAK!


I KNEW ABOUT THIS BECAUSE PROFESSOR OAK CONTACTED ME ABOUT IT ONE DAY..
ARE YOU SCOTT?
I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE LOCATION WHERE YOUR BATTLE FRONTIER FACILITY IS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION -- HOENN B-9214


...IS WHERE THE AWAKENING OF THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI WILL SOON TAKE PLACE!!


THE PHANTOM POKÉMON JIRACHI...?! THE POKÉMON THAT'S KNOWN AS THE WISH POKÉMON...?!
YES! YOU ARE VERY WELL INFORMED!


RIGHT NOW, I HAVE WITH ME A REPORT RELATED TO THAT POKÉMON...
THIS LADY CALLED KIMBERLY HAD GIVEN THIS TO ME, AFTER SHE HAD ACQUIRED IT THROUGH... SOME METHOD..

PROFESSOR OAK...
...WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO ABOUT JIRACHI, THEN?

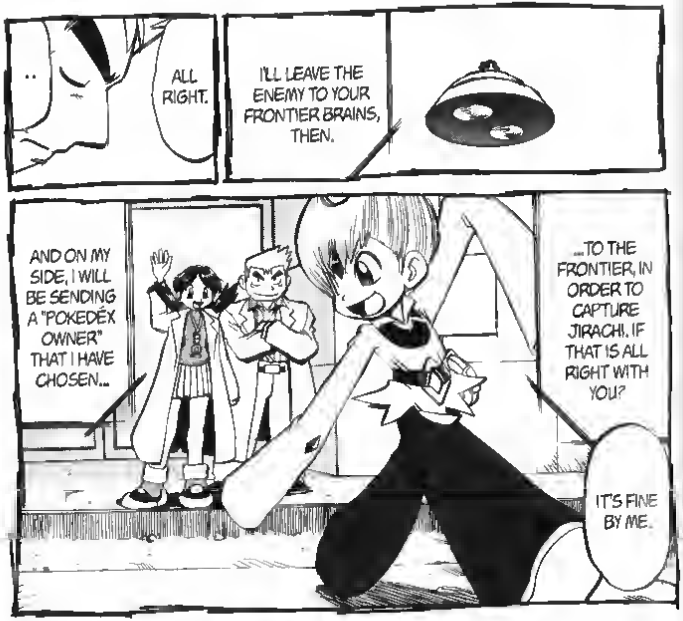
SINCE JIRACHI IS GOING TO AWAKEN HERE SOON...?
..

I INTEND TO CAPTURE IT!!
I HAVE A WISH THAT IS SO DIFFICULT TO FULFILL...
...THAT THE ONLY WAY I CAN ACHIEVE IT IS BY ASKING JIRACHI TO GRANT IT TO ME!

OH, I DON'T MIND AT ALL! GO AHEAD AND JUST CAPTURE IT, THEN!
EVERYBODY IS WELCOMED AT THE FRONTIER!

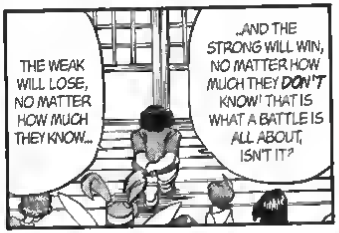
THANK YOU!
BUT THAT'S NOT ALL!

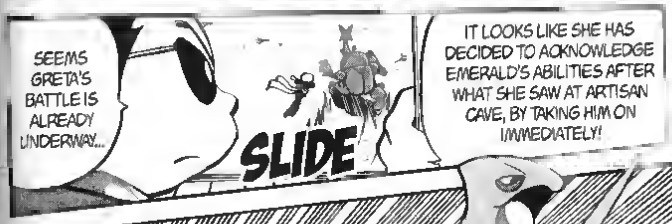
IT WOULD SEEM I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS MY EYE ON JIRACHI...!
SOMEONE BROKE INTO MY LABORATORY YESTERDAY NIGHT...
...AND STOLE ALL THE DATA WRITTEN IN THE REPORT ABOUT JIRACHI!
MY WORD!
MY POKÉMON THAT TRIED TO STOP HIM WERE ALL GRAVELY INJURED IN THE EVENT!
MUCH OF WHAT IS WRITTEN IN THE REPORT IS MADE UP OF NOTES IN AN ANCIENT LANGUAGE, AND I HAVE YET TO DECIPHER ALL OF IT.
THANKFULLY, THE DISC THAT WAS STOLEN ONLY CONTAINED THE BITS THAT WERE ALREADY DECIPHERED...
EVEN SO, THE OPPONENT ALREADY KNOWS THE LOCATION AND EXACT DATE OF JIRACHI'S AWAKENING!
IT'S HIGHLY POSSIBLE THAT HE WILL GO TO THE BATTLE FRONTIER IN ORDER TO CAPTURE JIRACHI!
AND HE WILL AIM FOR THE SEVEN DAYS JIRACHI WILL BE AWAKE, BETWEEN JULY THE FIRST TO JULY THE SEVENTH!
THAT MUST BE THE ARMORED MAN.
THAT'S RIGHT.
AND THE DATES THAT PROFESSOR OAK DECIPHERED FROM THE REPORT...
...COINCIDED PERFECTLY WITH THE SEVEN-DAY PRESS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT THE BATTLE FRONTIER!
PROFESSOR OAK WAS WORRIED THAT THE PRESS MAY GET DRAGGED INTO THIS MESS...
I THINK IT MIGHT BE BETTER IF YOU POSTPONED THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE FRONTIER...?
NO!
THE BATTLE FRONTIER IS MY DREAM!
I WILL HOLD THE OPENING CEREMONY AS PLANNED.
EVEN IF ANYBODY SHOULD ATTACK THE FRONTIER IN AN ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE JIRACHI...
...I HAVE WITH ME SEVEN STRONG TRAINERS, THE FRONTIER BRAINS!
I'M SURE THAT THE SEVEN OF THEM WILL BE ABLE TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY!


..
ALL RIGHT.
I'LL LEAVE THE ENEMY TO YOUR FRONTIER BRAINS, THEN.
AND ON MY SIDE, I WILL BE SENDING A "POKEDEX OWNER" THAT I HAVE CHOSEN...
...TO THE FRONTIER, IN ORDER TO CAPTURE JIRACHI. IF THAT IS ALL RIGHT WITH YOU?
IT'S FINE BY ME.
THAT MUST BE EMERALD!
...
THEN..
...WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL US ABOUT IT?!
IF WE HAD KNOWN ABOUT THIS BEFOREHAND, WE WOULD'VE BEEN ABLE TO HANDLE THE SITUATION MORE EFFECTIVELY!!
NOLAND WOULDN'T HAVE HAD TO GO THROUGH ALL THAT!!
YOU REALLY THINK SO?

LET ME ASK YOU, THEN...
IF YOU HAD KNOWN ABOUT ALL THIS BEFOREHAND.. WOULD YOU HAVE WON?

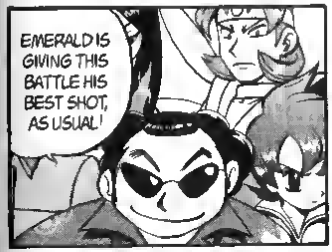
THAT'S..
...THAT'S...!

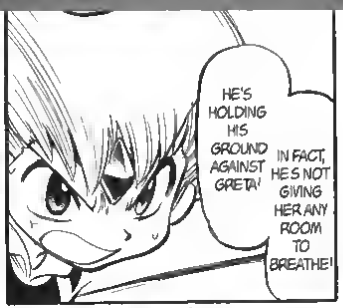

THE WEAK WILL LOSE, NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY KNOW...
...AND THE STRONG WILL WIN, NO MATTER HOW MUCH THEY DON'T KNOW! THAT IS WHAT A BATTLE IS ALL ABOUT, ISN'T IT?

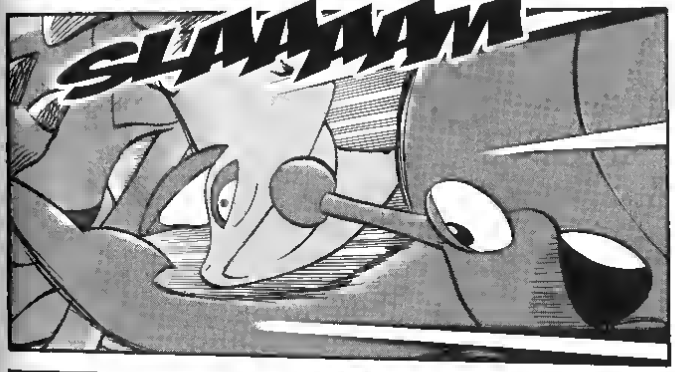

SEEMS GRETA'S BATTLE IS ALREADY UNDERWAY...
SLIDE
IT LOOKS LIKE SHE HAS DECIDED TO ACKNOWLEDGE EMERALD'S ABILITIES AFTER WHAT SHE SAW AT ARTISAN CAVE, BY TAKING HIM ON IMMEDIATELY!

GO!!
SCEPTILE! "LEAF BLADE"!!

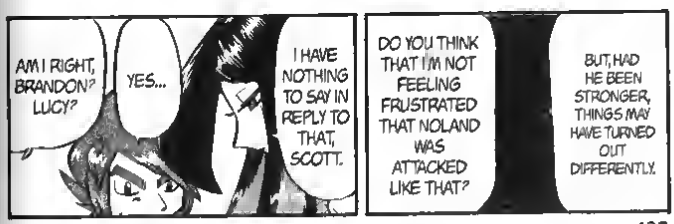
RACK
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
JUMP
BANG
BANG
BANG
SMA
SH
THUMP


EMERALD IS GIVING THIS BATTLE HIS BEST SHOT, AS USUAL!


HE'S HOLDING HIS GROUND AGAINST GRETA!
IN FACT, HE'S NOT GIVING HER ANY ROOM TO BREATHE!


SLAAAAM

HE IS A CHALLENGER WHO HAS CONQUERED THE BATTLE FACTORY, PIKE AND PYRAMID.
THERE WERE NO SURPRISE ATTACKS IN HIS BATTLES. ALL OF YOU FOUGHT AGAINST HIM KNOWINGLY.


AM I RIGHT, BRANDON? LUCY?
YES...
I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY IN REPLY TO THAT, SCOTT.
DO YOU THINK THAT I'M NOT FEELING FRUSTRATED THAT NOLAND WAS ATTACKED LIKE THAT?
BUT, HAD HE BEEN STRONGER, THINGS MAY HAVE TURNED OUT DIFFERENTLY.

BY TOMORROW, THE ENEMY ONLY HAS THREE DAYS LEFT TO CARRY OUT HIS DEED.
AS LONG IF... YOU ALL WERE TO FACE HIM AGAIN...
TIME TIME...
I'LL DEFEAT HIM FOR SURE!!
RIGHT! THAT IS WHY THE LOT OF YOU NEED TO GET STRONGER, TO THAT END!
WHEN EMERALD NEXT TAKES ON THE DOME, PALACE AND TOWER FACILITIES, IT WILL CERTAINLY SERVE AS GOOD TRAINING...
...FOR YOU!!
HEH HEH! SO WE'RE THE ONES WHO'VE BECOME THE CHALLENGERS INSTEAD, H.H.H...
BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, SCOTT!
WHEN THE BATTLE FRONTIER IS OFFICIALLY OPENED TO THE PUBLIC, WE'RE SURE TO HAVE MANY VISITORS! IN ORDER FOR US TO BE ABLE TO STAND PROUDLY BEFORE OUR FACILITIES WHEN THAT TIME COMES...
...WE MUST OVERCOME THIS ORDEAL AT ALL COST!
WELL SAID!!
GO, GRETA!!
FIGHT HIM WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE GOT AND GET BETTER!!
FIGHT ON!
I HEAR YA!
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE
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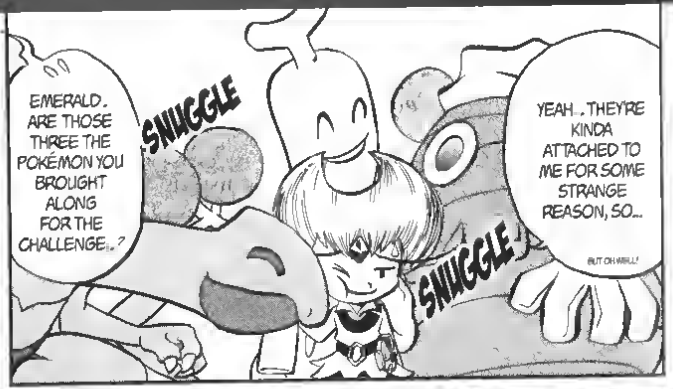
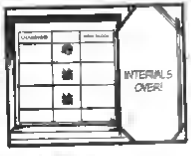
STRUGGLE
STRUGGLE

"MEGAHORN"!!
THUD
TOSS
HERACROSS' "MEGAHORN" MANAGED TO HIT IT!
DID SHE WIN?!
NO! EMERALD'S SCEPTILE IS STILL ABLE TO STAND!
BOTH PARTIES HAVE FINISHED THREE TURNS!
BECAUSE NO VICTOR IS APPARENT.

...I WILL NOW ASSESS THE BATTLE AND HAND OUT SCORES!
FLICKER
ASSESS...? IS THAT THE RULE OF THIS FACILITY?
I WILL ASSESS BOTH PARTIES BASED ON MIND, SKILL, AND BODY!
THE RESULTS...
A TOTAL SCORE OF FIVE AGAINST ONE!
ARENA TYCOON
CHALLENGER
心
技
体
5
1
BAM
ARENA TYCOON GRETA'S HERACROSS WINS!
YOU DID IT, GRETA!!
YAY!
NOW DO YOU FEEL?! AREN'T YOU WORN OUT, CHALLENGING THE BATTLE ARENA IMMEDIATELY AFTER YOUR FIGHT WITH GUILE?
WELL, SHE'S NO BETTER OFF, SO...
THAT'S TRUE, BUT..
HUH?
WE WILL NOW HAVE A FIVE MINUTES INTERVAL.
EMERALD, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
HUH?

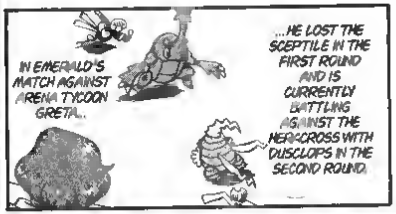

EMERALD. ARE THOSE THREE THE POKÉMON YOU BROUGHT ALONG FOR THE CHALLENGE..?
SNUGGLE
SNUGGLE
YEAH.. THEY'RE KINDA ATTACHED TO ME FOR SOME STRANGE REASON, SO...
BUT OH WELL!

YEAH, THEY'RE REALLY FOND OF YOU... THEY PROTECTED YOU BACK AT ARTISAN CAVE, TOO..

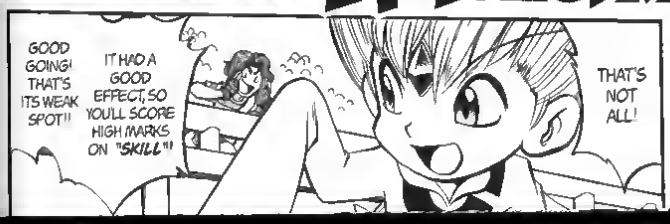

INTERVAL 5 OVER!

CHEER
LET THE ARENA MATCH RESUME!

THIS IS THE BATTLE ARENA...
A PLACE WHERE YOU HAVE NON-STOP 3-ON-3 POKÉMON BATTLING!


IN EMERALD'S MATCH AGAINST ARENA TYCOON GRETA...
...HE LOST THE SCEPTILE IN THE FIRST ROUND AND IS CURRENTLY BATTLING AGAINST THE HERACROSS WITH DUSCLOPS IN THE SECOND ROUND.

DUSCLOPS! USE "PSYCHIC"!!
SMACK


GOOD GOING! THAT'S ITS WEAK SPOT!!
IT HAD A GOOD EFFECT, SO YOU'LL SCORE HIGH MARKS ON "SKILL"!
THAT'S NOT ALL!

IT WAS AN ATTACK SKILL, SO MY "MIND" SCORE WILL BE HIGH AS WELL! AND SINCE IT REDUCED THE OPPONENT'S HEALTH POINTS, MY "BODY" SCORE SHOULD GO UP, TOO!
ON THE OTHER HAND, NO MATTER HOW GOOD HERACROSS IS WITH FIGHT-TYPE SKILLS...
...NONE OF IT WILL WORK ON DUSCLOPS— A GHOST-TYPE POKÉMON!
PHEW!
EACH SIDE HAS FINISHED USING UP THREE TURNS!
IT'S JUDGING TIME AGAIN!
RULE BOOK
"THAT'S RIGHT! IN THE ARENA, IF NO WINNER IS APPARENT AFTER THREE TURNS, THE BATTLE WILL BE ASSESSED.
THEY WILL BE SCORED BASED ON THEIR "MIND," "SKILL," AND "BODY."
THE "MIND" SCORE IS BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF ATTACKS THAT WERE EXECUTED. IF YOU DEFEND ALL THE TIME, YOU WILL BE JUDGED A "WEAKLING".
"SKILL" IS EXACTLY WHAT IT SAYS. A SCORE THAT IS BASED ON HOW EFFECTIVELY THE POKÉMON EXECUTED ITS SKILLS.
AS FOR "BODY", IT IS A SCORE THAT IS BASED ON HOW MUCH VITALITY THE POKÉMON LOST DURING THE COURSE OF THE BATTLE.
YOU CAN'T CHANGE THE SEQUENCE OF THE POKÉMON YOU BRING ALONG FOR THE BATTLE, BUT...
...EVEN IF YOU BUMP INTO A POKÉMON OF AN OPPOSING TYPE, IT'S STILL POSSIBLE TO WIN BECAUSE OF HOW THE BATTLE IS SCORED. I WONDER WHO WILL WIN THIS SECOND ROUND...?
TOTAL SCORE OF 5 VS. 2!
5
2
CHALLENGER EMERALD'S DUSCLOPS WINS!!
YES!! DUSCLOPS HAS WON THIS ROUND!!
COME ON OUT, UMBREON!!
GRETA'S SECOND POKÉMON IS...
BOOM

IT'S HER FAVORITE POKÉMON, THE ONE SHE USED IN ARTISAN CAVE!
AND...
THE TYPE-MATCHUP IS NOW IN GRETA'S FAVOR!
THE DARK-TYPE UMBREON DEFINITELY HAS AN ADVANTAGE OVER DUSCLOPS!!
SMACK
"FAINT ATTACK"!
COUNTER ATTACK, DUSCLOPS
"WILL-O-WISP"!!
POOOOF
"CONFUSE RAY"!
AHHHHH

OH DEAR! DUSCLOPS IS NOW "CONFUSED" IN ADDITION TO BEING AT A DISADVANTAGE!
BUMP
BUMP
SPIN
SPIN
HAH HAH! THAT THING WON'T LAST TILL THE ASSESSMENT!
TOTAL SCORE OF FIVE VS. ONE! ARENA TYCOON GRETA'S UMBREON WINS!!
FAINT
THREE TURNS ISN'T A VERY LONG TIME...
GRETA'S UMBREON WINS THIS ROUND, AND EMERALD ONLY HAS ONE LAST POKÉMON LEFT!
SUDOWOODO!!
POOF
UMBREON?!
DUSCLOPS' "WILL-O-WISP" HAD INFLICTED A "BURN" STATUS EFFECT ON YOU?!
I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO REGAIN SOME VITALITY BY EATING YOUR "LEFTOVERS", BUT...
CHEW CHEW

I'M NOT GONNA BE LOSING ALL THE TIME, YEAH!
FINISH IT OFF!
"LOW KICK"!!
SMACK
TOTAL SCORE OF EVS: 0
I SHALL ENDEAR BURNHILL'S SLOWKING'S WIN!
NOW THEY'RE BOTH DOWN TO THEIR FINAL POKÉMON! WHAT'S GRETA'S LAST POKÉMON...?
I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING!
YOU'RE PROBABLY THINKING ABOUT HOW WEAK A SHEDINJA IS, AREN'T YOU!
A SHEDINJA?!

BECAUSE OF ITS ABILITY "WONDER GUARD", THERE ARE VERY FEW SKILLS THAT CAN TOUCH SHEDINJA.
I KNOW THAT, HONEWEW...
SLOWKING'S A POKÉMON THAT'S ABLE TO USE ONE OF THOSE "REVELATION SKILLS" YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!
THUD THUD THUD
"ROCK SLIDE"!!
WHAM
BAM
IT'S "ENDURE"!!! BUT BY USING A DEFENSIVE MOVE, HER "MIND" SCORE WILL BE LOWER! THE FACT THAT SHE'S USING IT DESPITE THAT...
YOU'VE GOT IT! WE CAN'T LET THE FINAL ROUND END WITH AN ASSESSMENT!!
WE'RE GONNA CLASH UNTIL SOMEONE BITES THE DUST!!